

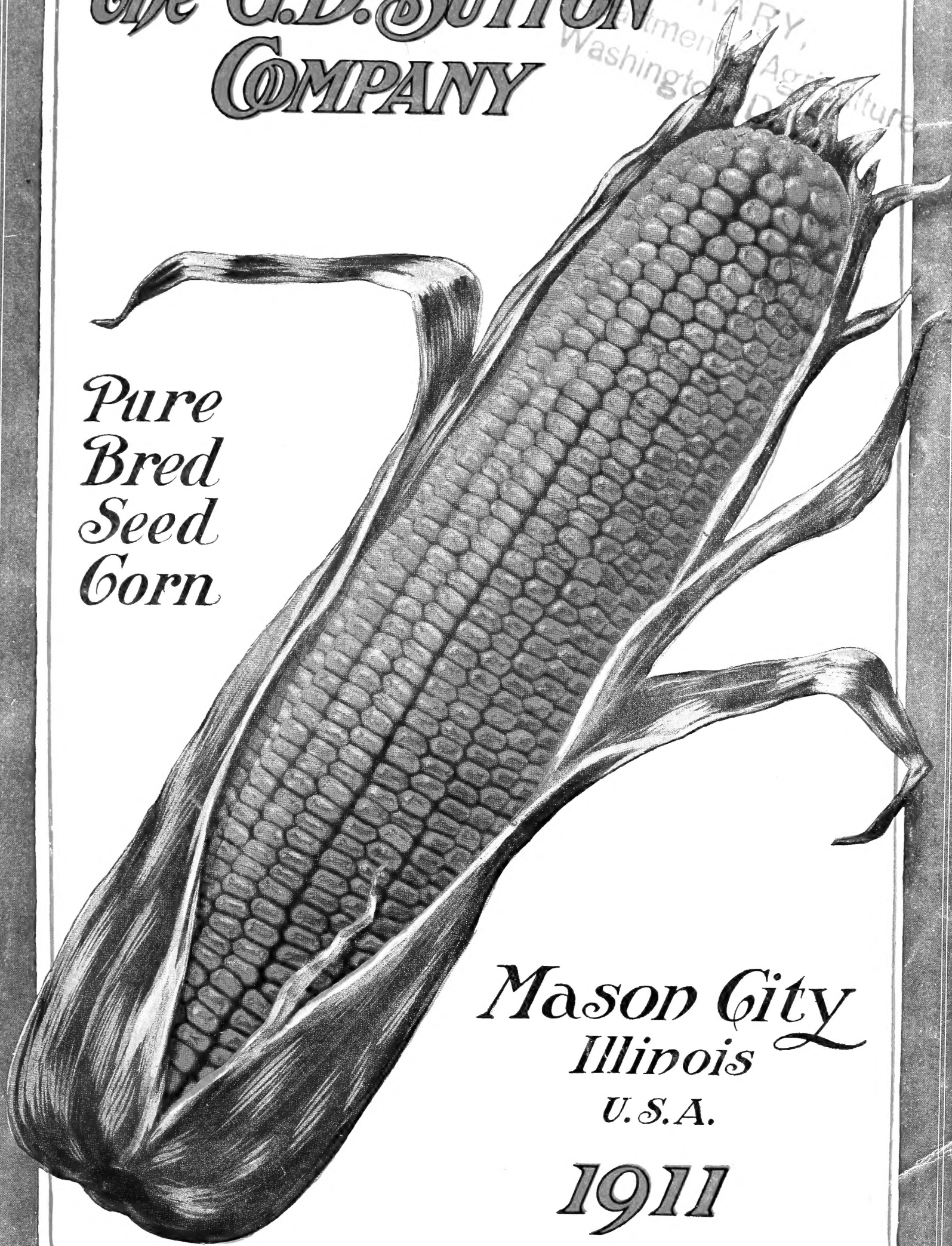
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The G.D. & SUTTON COMPANY

*Pure
Bred
Seed
Corn*



*Mason City
Illinois
U.S.A.*

1911

Strong Testimonials From Pleased Customers

Won First Prize

Delavan, Ill., Dec. 12, 1910.

Dear Sir—My son Clyde received "first" prize last Saturday at the Baldwin Bank Corn Show on yellow corn. There were 25 entries of yellow corn. He entered Reids' Yellow Dent grown from the seed purchased of you last spring. I must say that I never raised any better quality of corn.

I remain yours,
HARRY MEEKER.



Well Pleased

Deland, Ill., April 27, 1910.

The Boone County White seed corn I received from you last year was fine. It made an average of 60 bushels per acre. If you can't furnish me White Dent, send Boone County White.

J. O. BARNES.



Shows Good Breeding

Bishop Hill, February 7, 1910.

Received seed corn O. K. Will also state I am satisfied with same. It shows strong breeding and germinating sound. Two years ago my neighbor planted 1 bushel of your corn (Reid's) and the result was, he discarded all of the other varieties.

FRED J. ANDERSON.



Good Seed Pays

Ridgway, Ill., April 9, 1910.

Enclosed find a photo of Boone County White corn grown by me last season from seed purchased of you. This is a fair sample of the corn. I have sold several bushels for seed this spring. It pays to buy good seed.

CHAS. S. BARNETT.

Doubled His Yield

Minonk, Ill., February 23, 1910.

The seed corn I received from you was more than I expected and brought twice as much to the acre as my other corn did, and was of good quality.

JOHN DOOM.



High Germination

Woodward, February 2, 1910.

Received seed corn in fine shape. Tested 60 grains and all but 1 sprouted. I am well pleased with your seed corn. I am sending your catalogue to my neighbors and telling them of my corn.

O. C. BRINK.



More Than Pleased

Morning Sun, Iowa, April 18, 1910.

Corn received in good condition. I have tested it and it is O. K. I am more than pleased with it. You will find check enclosed for \$28.

C. H. MCGINNIS.



Tested 100 Percent

Conneatville, Pa., May 19, 1910.

Enclosed find check for \$4 in full for seed corn. The corn is in fine condition, and tested 100% according to my test.

F. A. HALL.

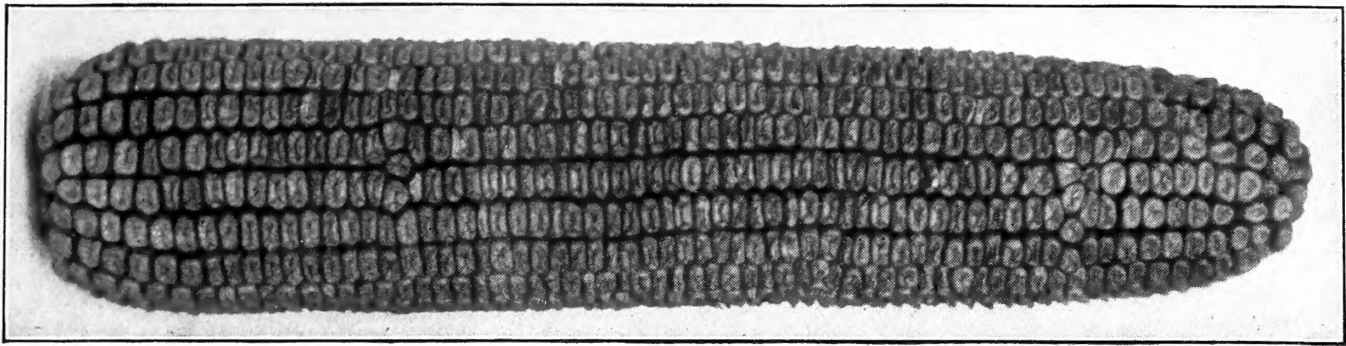


Seventy Bushels Per Acre

Virginia, Ill., October, 1910.

The Boone County seed corn we got of you last spring was just fine. I am gathering it now. It is making 70 bushels per acre. That is all I could ask, and I am well pleased with it.

JOHN M. BIERHAUS.



WE TAKE great pleasure in sending you this, our latest catalogue, and we take an added pleasure in stating that our business has grown so as to demand more room. We have erected a fine new building one block from our old house, which is 140x36x24 feet, with basement, giving us double our former capacity.

We have put up 50,000 bushels of Pure Bred Seed Corn. With a small army of men we took in, in one day, in October, eighty loads averaging fifty bushels each.

It is gratifying to us to realize that we have become the greatest seed corn dealers in the world through satisfied customers. We began in a small way, but each member of the firm has grown up on the farm and is a stockholder in the local Farmers Elevator, and knows the farmer's needs. It is our earnest endeavor to supply seed corn, our only line, of unequalled quality.

Last year we returned checks, money orders, drafts, etc., to the amount of \$14,000, and as much more prospective business, because of our inability to meet the demand for our corn. Ten seasons out of the past eleven we have had to refuse thousands of dollars worth of business for the same reason. We mention this to show the popularity of our seed corn, and as a reminder to order early.

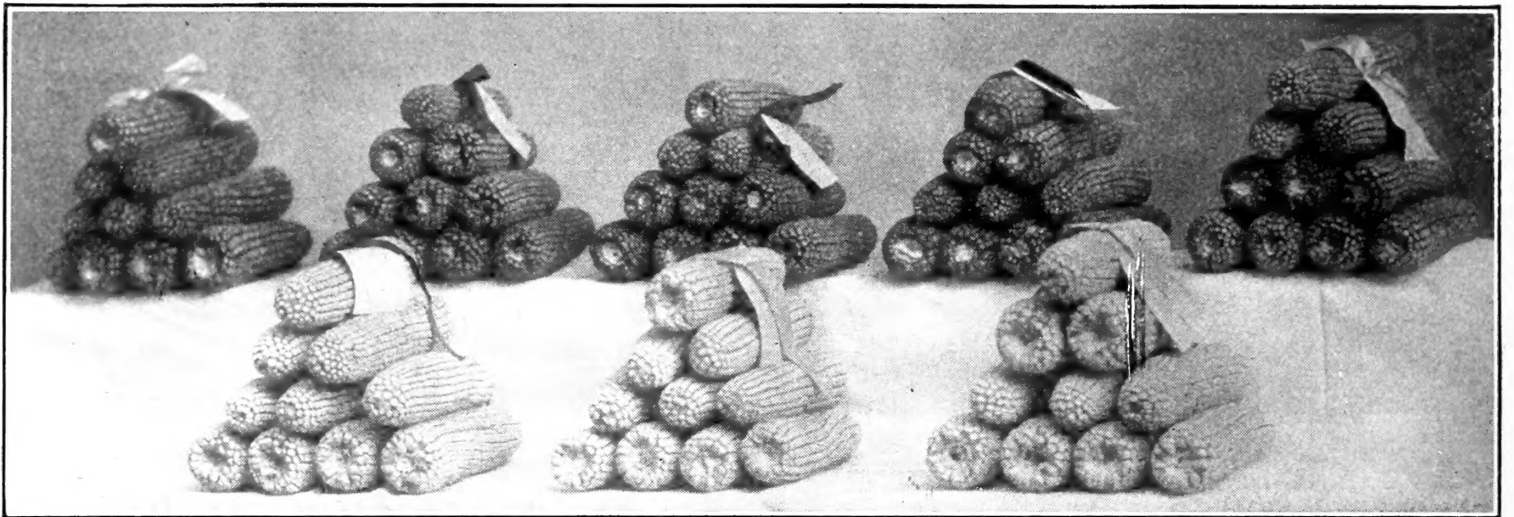
We wish you all a very happy and prosperous 1911.

THE G. D. SUTTON COMPANY

MASON CITY, ILLINOIS

WHY WE HAVE GOOD SEED CORN.

We of course have the very best seed, selected for type, uniformity, soundness and vitality, and we have the best soil in the world, as Mason county soil is peculiarly adapted to the growing of seed corn. We knew this when we located here to grow seed corn. The soil is a rich, black sandy loam that matures corn perfectly. Before the Chicago Board of Trade was so colossal, Mason county corn was quoted at a premium on the board, and now certain mills pay a premium for Mason county corn. Another feature is that we have our pick of the fine land for growing our seed corn.



ONE GRADE, ONE PRICE TO ALL.

We make but one grade of our corn. Some seed houses make two or three grades of ear corn. We give our customers the cream with the milk, and the very choicest ears go in with the good seed ears. Instead of selling the cream at four or five dollars per bushel and the second grade at two or three dollars, we make a conservative price of \$2.00 for shelled and \$2.50 for ear corn. Many write and ask why we charge more for ear than shelled. This is the reason: Crates cost us twenty-one cents apiece by the thousand; sacks cost about six cents per bushel, but we can put two and one-half bushels in a sack; this makes a difference of fifteen cents. Then we are compelled to handle all the crate corn by hand and the shelled corn we can elevate by machinery. The ears that are shelled off at butt and tip are good for the shelled corn and too ragged for the crate. The crate ears are also harder to dry and require several handlings, making an extra cost, all told, of about thirty-five cents, which gives us a profit of fifteen cents more in the ear than for the shelled. We will as strongly guarantee our shelled seed as that in the ear and send it out on the same guarantee. If any man comes to our seed house and doesn't find that our shelled corn is more carefully prepared than nine farmers out of ten prepare their seed corn, we will give him his seed free. We tip by hand and grade on a power grader.

HOW TO KEEP CORN.

Nature is the best agent in maturing corn. Rain, wind and sun will mature corn, if cold weather does not come. We do not take any chances, and husk early, drying with steam, hot air furnaces and electric fans. In this way we can dry our corn perfectly and never let it freeze.

All our corn is nubbed by hand and then graded.

A SUCCESSFUL FARMER WILL USE ONLY PURE BRED SEED.

Pure bred seed corn pays, for many reasons. We will mention a few only: Pure bred corn develops more uniform and larger ears for the same reason that pure bred cows bred to a pure blood male produce a more uniform herd of steers than grades, and make more pounds of beef. Pure bred corn is a type that by development has attained the qualities that tend to increase the yield and at the same time are strong in oil and protein, increasing its powers for producing fat and muscle. The first aim among corn growers is for increased yield, whatever may be said to the contrary. Bushels talk with the farmer. Quality is important also and here is where pure bred corn shows up—you get quantity and quality.

We are not so sure but that corn breeders have paid too much attention to the well filled tip and other pretty points to the detriment of, what seems to us, stronger points. We have found that ears which had size and weight but had a poor tip and the rows run a little crooked on the cob made the best showing in the performance record. We want good length and circumference whether we have the rounded tip and straight rows or not. For after all is said and done, the bushels per acre is what the farmer is after. Have the rounded tips if you want them but don't shorten your corn to get them.

We are working to give the farmer corn that will grow the most bushels of good, solid corn per acre. We have made many tests among the farmers here at home by having good, responsible men plant half of a field in our corn and the other half in their own seed and have found, without a single exception, that our corn outyielded theirs by from five to thirty bushels per acre.

Among the prominent farmers close at home who found this to be true were John Ely, Will Patterson, Fred Proctor, Wm. Morgan, and many others.

From these fair and impartial tests it proves conclusively that it pays big to use Pure Bred seed corn, whether our corn or someone's else. We prefer you to plant ours as we are conceited enough to think "there is none better."

You will notice that we rank seed fourth in a crop of corn. You must have rich soil to get the best results in corn. You must prepare a good seed-bed and cultivate properly to get results from the best soil, and you must have the very best seed to get best results from the first three requirements.

If you follow these four things you will get a crop of corn in the central corn belt whether season is favorable or not, and if season is favorable you get a yield that makes your heart glad. We deal with soil and cultivation in another article. From the above you will see that by actual tests it pays to plant only pure bred seed, properly kept. It doesn't pay to plant poor seed and that is reason enough. Order early.

WHAT THEY SAY OF OUR CORN AROUND HOME.

An Average Yield of Over Ninety Bushels.

Mason City.

This is to certify that I raised forty acres of Reid's Yellow Dent this year from seed secured of G. D. Sutton and received a yield of ninety-three bushels per acre over the scales. Corn was of extra fine quality. It pays to use pure bred seed corn.

J. H. ELY.

Made Him a Thousand Dollars.

Mr. Eli Cleveland, who was in the city looking after his corn crop, said, "I believe that the pure bred corn which I got from G. D. Sutton has made me 2,000 bushels extra on my crop

this year. I have kept track of the increase over ordinary seed, because I was skeptical when I first begun using pure bred seed corn, but the results pay big interest on the investment."—Mason City Times.

Mason City.

To my mind Sutton's Favorite White is the best corn grown. I have had splendid results during the three years I have been raising it and have purchased seed of you each year. Two of my fields this year averaged sixty bushels and the percentage of large ears was very great. I cheerfully recommend Sutton's Favorite.

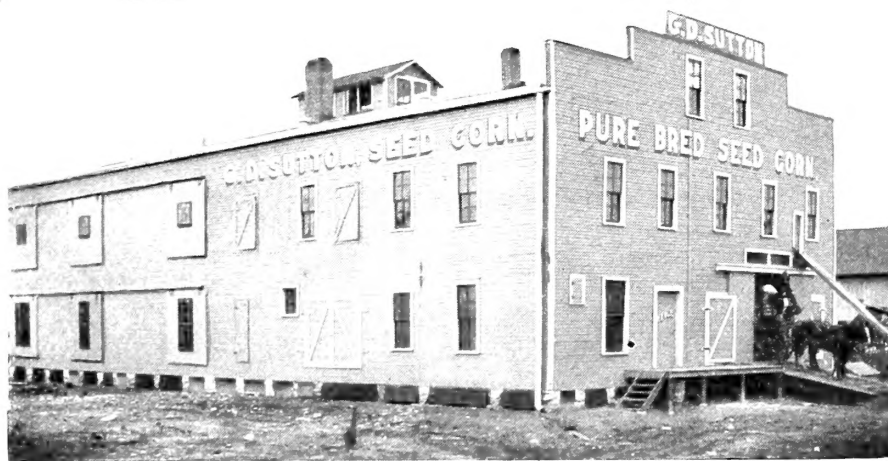
WM. PATTERSON.



OUR SEED HOUSE IN 1907



OUR NEW BUILDING JUST COMPLETED ONE BLOCK FROM OUR OTHER HOUSE



OUR SEED HOUSE IN 1909



OUR 1910 OFFICES AND SEED HOUSE

The pictures on this page will give you an idea of the growth of our business. We now have a capacity of 60,000 bushels of seed corn. We dry our corn under the most scientific methods. Our old house is heated with steam, our new one with hot air. We are always trying to improve.

All our seed is hauled direct from the field to our seed houses where it is sorted the first time and placed in the drying vaults. When thoroughly dried it is examined by experts, ear by ear, before shelling or crating.

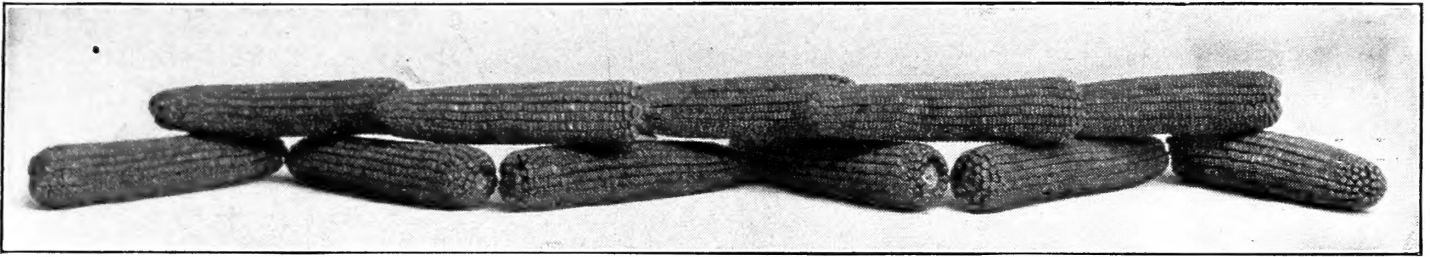
We court inspection and cordially invite the farmers to visit us. See our proposition on inside back cover.

Our 1911 plant consists of Houses No. 1 and No. 2 in above picture.

REID'S YELLOW DENT.

THIS SPLENDID TYPE OF YELLOW CORN IS A WORLD BEATER.

Light golden in color, ears from 9 to 12 inches long and 7 to 8 inches in circumference. No space between rows, which range from 20 to 24. The cob is almost completely covered with corn. Very small shank; ears run very uniform in size, color and shape. Shells from 88 to 90 per cent of corn. Kernels are moderately dented or rough and fully a half-inch deep. Cob red and medium in size. This corn is very easy to husk. Stalks from 9 to 12 feet and an abundance of foliage, making it popular for fodder. We have the strains of Reid that won first prize at the Chicago, Springfield and Omaha corn shows. This corn will get out of the way of frost in from 95 to 110 days.

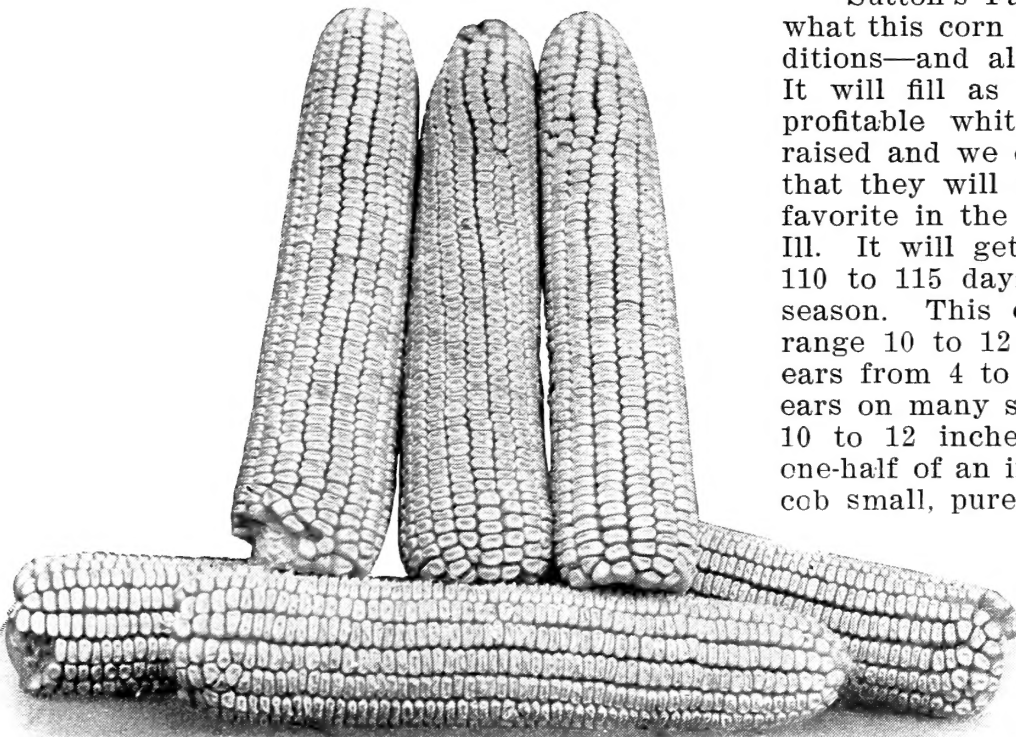


A few ears of Reid's Yellow Dent.

PRICES—One ear, 40 cents, postpaid; one peck, 75 cents; one-half bushel, \$1.25; one bushel, to any amount, \$2.00 per bushel. Sacks free. Ear corn, \$2.50 per bushel, in bushel crates. F.O.B. Mason City. No order for less than a bushel accepted in ear.

SUTTON'S FAVORITE.

Sutton's Favorite has few equals. We know what this corn is—we have tried it under all conditions—and always find it "delivers the goods." It will fill as many of the requirements for a profitable white variety as any we have ever raised and we offer it to our customers, knowing that they will find it all that we claim. It is a favorite in the south and as far north as Peoria, Ill. It will get out of the way of frost in from 110 to 115 days, according to soil, location, and season. This corn is a vigorous grower, stalks range 10 to 12 feet high, with full, dark foliage, ears from 4 to 5 feet from the ground, with two ears on many stalks. Ears early. Ears are from 10 to 12 inches long, sound and heavy, grains one-half of an inch deep, and from 14 to 20 rows; cob small, pure white and firm. Ears uniform in size from butt to tip and fills out completely at the ends. Get as large a corn as possible that will stand the drouth that so often cuts the crop in two or ruins it altogether. This famous corn will yield 85 bushels under favorable conditions.



A FAIR TYPE OF SUTTON'S FAVORITE.

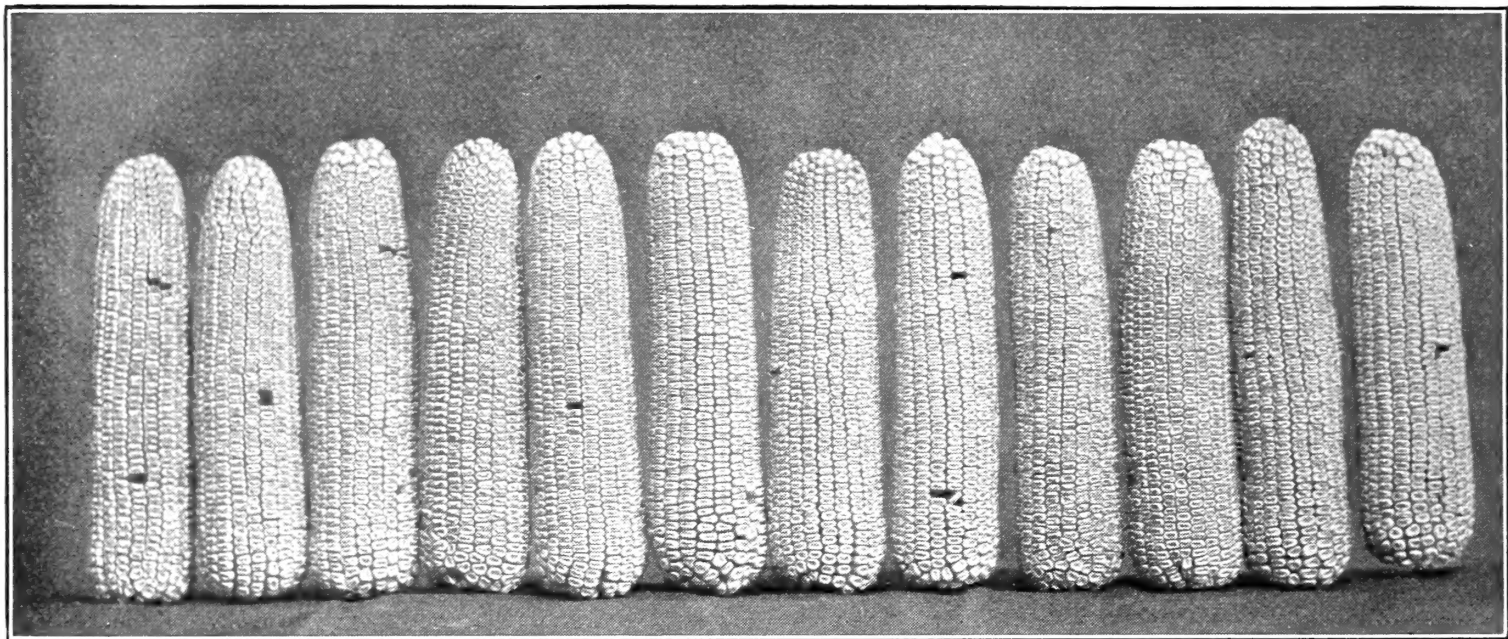
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SUTTON'S BOONE COUNTY WHITE.

This famous Corn has taken more sweepstake premiums than any other white variety.

This famous corn has made a record for big yields that has never been reached by any other variety. Our Boone this year is fine. We have an immense lot of this corn that is simply fine in every particular. Don't be afraid to order this if you are in the central or southern corn belt, as it will mature and make a bumper crop. Ears from 9 to 12 inches in length, $7\frac{1}{2}$ to $8\frac{1}{2}$ in circumference, 16 to 24 rows, well filled at tips and ideal butts. Pure white in grain and cob, solid as a rock and uniform. Matures in about 115 to 120 days. Plant by May 1 to 15, out of the way of frost by September 1 to 15.

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A dozen mortgage lifters—our Improved Boone County White.

Send us your order now. We'll ship it now or later as you please. SUTTON'S CORN GROWS, is full of vigor, stands the cold rains of Spring better than your own corn, and at husking time gives you ten to twenty bushels more corn to the acre. All corn sent on ten days' approval.

1910 REPORTS SHOW SUTTON'S SEED CORN WINNER AGAIN.

Stronghurst, Ill., Nov. 14, 1910.

I am very well pleased with the corn I received of you.
ED. STEINE.

St. Augustine, Ill., Oct. 17, 1910.

The corn grew fine and will make fifty bushels of sound corn to the acre though the season was against it. It was so dry about the time it was filling. I think the Leaming better than Reid's Yellow Dent. I think it stood the drouth better but it all did fine.
ELI FISHER.

Ellwood, Ill., Oct. 3, 1910.

I am well pleased with your seed corn. It will yield from five to ten bushels to the acre more than any of the other corn I have planted.
J. E. DOYLE.

Linn Center, Ill., Sept. 30, 1910.

Your corn was all that I could ask for according to the season. The yellow corn grew all right but the white I had to plant over on account of the cold, wet weather. Afterwards I found I had planted too deep for the kind of weather.
A. C. SWANSON.

Illiopopolis, Ill., Oct. 1, 1910.

I planted seventy acres of ground from the seed I got from you. I never raised better corn than I did this year. My corn will make 70 bushels to the acre.
MICHAEL SMITH.

Pocahontas, Ill., Sept. 30, 1910.

I got the corn all O.K. Got good stand. But the season was against us. Too much rain. Wind and hail badly twisted some fields. I had prospect for 60 bushels but if I get 25 per acre, will be satisfied. When I need more seed I will send to Sutton Co.
CHAS. E. PRICE.

Delavan, Ill., Oct. 1, 1910.

The seed corn I purchased of you last spring was good. I got a good stand and it has grown well all season. I have 200 acres on one farm that will average 60 bushels per acre.
H. M. WOOD.

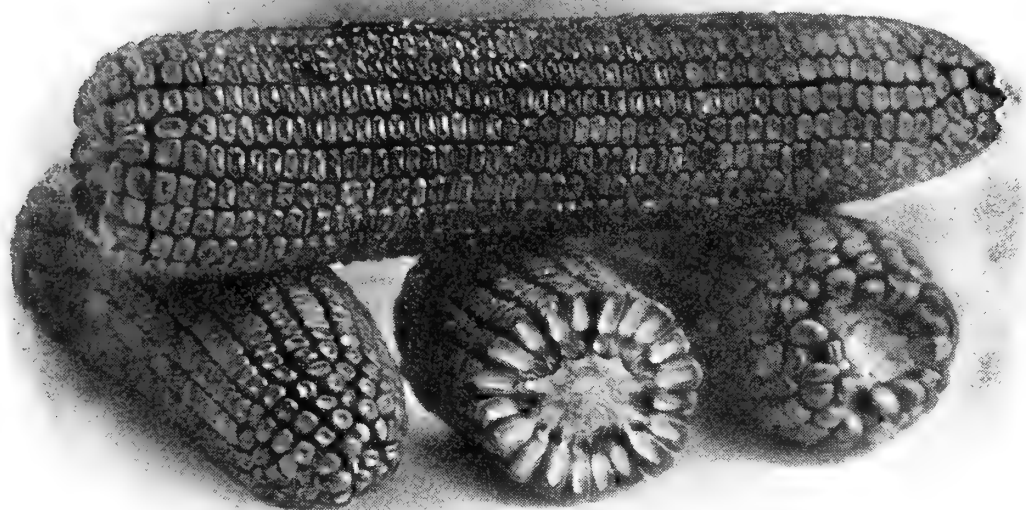
Buda, Ill., Oct. 7, 1910.

The seed corn I bought of you last spring was very good. Quality was fine.
GEORGE A. CARPER.

IMPROVED LEAMING.

This splendid variety of yellow corn was originated in 1826 and has been developed to a high state during the last ten years. Ears from 9 to 11 in. long and from 7½ to 8 in circumference, weighing from 12 to 17 oz. each, 16 to 24 rows of kernels, small space between rows. Rows contain from 50 to 58 broad, thick, deep kernels. Kernels rough, rounding wedge-shaped. Red cob, medium size. Stalks 9 to 12 feet high. Valuable for either forage or ensilage. The large percentage of sugar in every part of plant makes it the prize fodder or ensilage variety. One of the best standard varieties grown. Matures in from 100 to 110 days, according to soil and season.

PRICES—One ear, 40 cents, postpaid; one peck, 75 cents; one-half bushel, \$1.25; one bushel, to any amount, \$2.00 per bushel. Sacks free. Ear corn \$2.50 per bushel, in bushel crates. F.O.B. Mason City. No order for less than a bushel accepted in ear.



BUNCH OF BEAUTIES. IMPROVED LEAMING

1910 REPORTS SHOW SUTTON'S SEED CORN A BIG WINNER.

Hopedale, Ill., Sept. 28, 1910.

I am well pleased with the corn I bought of you last spring. I got a good stand of corn. I have 60 acres of Leaming and 35 acres of Reid, think they will make 65 or 70 bushels per acre. Your seed is good enough for me.

JACOB THOMAS.

Cameron, Ill., Oct. 17, 1910.

Will say that the seed corn I purchased of you grew very well. I have a good stand of corn nearly matured.

GLEN DE L. SMITH.

Macomb, Ill., Oct., 1910.

The corn received of you did as well as could be expected considering the fact that it was not planted until about June first. I was well satisfied with the seed. HARVEY P. HUNTER.

Mulberry Grove, Ill., Nov., 1910.

The seed corn I got of you was fine seed. I expect I will want some more seed next spring.

H. W. McDOWELL.

Midland City, Oct. 20, 1910.

The corn I got of you for seed is turning out fine. Some will make 75 bushels to the acre, some 50 according to the land.

M. A. LEEVER.

Princeton, Ill., Oct. 21, 1910.

Your corn did well, all but about 15 acres which I planted over, owing to the condition of the ground.

C. E. PARKER.

Roseville, Ill., Nov. 1, 1910.

We are husking on the old ground first. The rows are 110 rods long and four rows make 45 1-2 bushels, 80 lb. to the bushel. I never saw corn filled better.

GEO. STAAT.

Monmouth, Ill., Oct. 3, 1910.

The seed corn has proved all right. The Sutton White I planted on the poorest ground I had, and it is fine, I think. I believe from the looks it will make 50 bushels. The Reid's Yellow Dent is most ripe enough to crib and is pure as any I ever had. I did not have to replant as many others did. I just had a splendid stand.

W. B. JENKS.

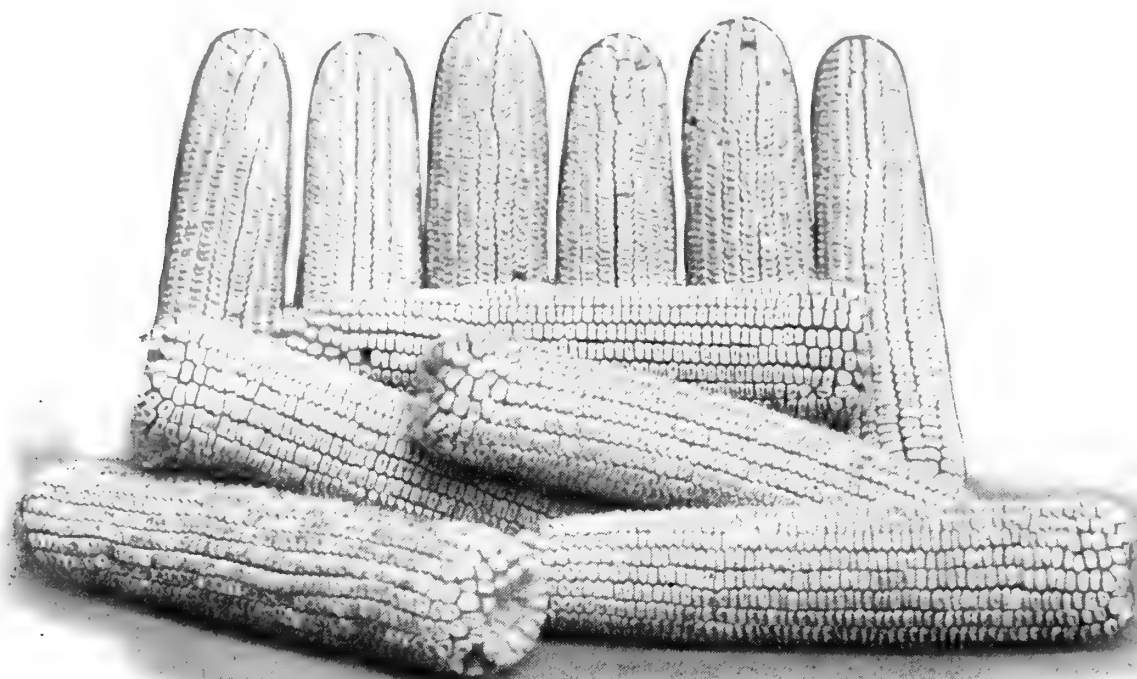
Roseville, Ill., Oct. 18, 1910.

The seed corn I purchased of you was all right and I consider it a good investment. I planted 160 acres and did not have to plant any over. My corn will yield from 45 to 50 bushels to the acre and some as much as 70 bushels according to the ground. The nicest eared corn I ever raised.

D. J. GIBB.

SUTTON'S WHITE DENT.

We have grown this corn three years for the market. We are more than pleased with it. It has many of the characteristics of the Reid only is white. It is sound and firm. Ears very uniform, grain deep and close on cob similar to Reid; cob white, 20 to 24 rows, good stalk. Matures about 10 days earlier than Boone. This variety is growing very popular here at home. Many of our best farmers are growing it exclusively. This year our White Dent was equally as dry as our Reid when we begun putting corn in the house. If you want a white corn and think Boone is a little too late use White Dent. Price same as other varieties.



SAMPLES OF OUR WHITE DENT.

THE LARGEST IN THE WORLD.

Phenomenal Industry in Seed Corn Located in Mason City.

Are you a booster for Mason City? When a stranger asks you where your home is, do you say, "I am from Mason City where the biggest seed corn firm in the world is located?" If a friend asks you, "How is business in Mason City these days?" do you say "There has not been an idle man here for two months and there won't be any until after the seed corn is ready for delivery?"

One day last week The G. D. Sutton Co. took in eighty loads of fine seed corn, averaging fifty bushels to the load. They will soon have 50,000 bushels of seed corn. This year the quality of the seed corn is the best in many years and the fall has been ideal for taking in the supply and getting it in shape to sort, test and prepare for shipping next spring.—Mason City Times, November, 1910.

Mason county grown pure bred seed corn is most certainly getting a world-wide reputation as is evidenced by a letter recently received by G. D. Sutton Seed Corn Co., of this city from the Bureau of Plant Industry, Department of Agriculture, Washington, D. C. The bureau, recognizing the merits of the corn put out by the local concern has written asking that the company list their several kinds of pure bred seed corn. In turn, the department will refer inquiries to them. Many who plant corn write the bureau asking information regarding firms putting out dependable seed corn and that the Sutton Company is recognized as one of the best is shown by the receipt of the requests. The bureau further requests that the Sutton Company advise them promptly when they are sold out that they may cease referring people to them.—Havana Republican, December 9, 1909.

Mailing Seed Corn Catalogues.

Catalogues by the wagon load are being sent out by the G. D. Sutton Co., of this city, who are now mailing their annual catalogue.—Mason City Times, January, 1910.

OUR WAY OF RAISING CORN.

We believe that there are five things that must be considered in getting a big yield of corn. Four of them you must have right and the fifth must be good to get best results. We refer to soil, Preparation of Seed Bed, Cultivation, Seed, and Season. All intelligent corn growers know that it takes rich soil to get best results in growing corn. Build up your land by rotation of crops and manure. Clover two years, corn two, then oats and clover again, or oats, wheat and clover. This is the ideal rotation for Central Illinois. If soil is too sandy for clover, cow peas are a good substitute. Haul all the manure you can procure on to your soil, use a spreader and put it on heavy enough to do good and it will pay you the "Dutchman's one per cent."

Next comes the preparation of the seed bed. Plow the clover under deep and if clods are in evidence harrow and disc until the seed bed is like a garden. Then plant deep enough to find moisture for germinating, harrow again and if grass or weeds are starting harrow just before cultivating the first time. Cultivate close with small shovels the first time, sifting the fine dirt around the plants, covering up all grass and weeds. Do good work during the first plowing even if you only get over four acres a day. Don't get down into the roots in the later cultivation, as that does harm, and remember that when corn is a foot high the roots pass in the row. Practice surface cultivating as nearly as your soil will permit.

Now comes the seed. Use only pure bred seed secured from some reliable seed house, or if you have pure bred seed of your own, be very careful in its selection and take care of it, selecting it early and then letting it freeze and thaw all winter doesn't pay. Don't use seed grown on your own farm too long, either; 3 years is long enough. Get seed from a different soil. Plant only two grains in a hill unless soil is very rich and then never over three. Don't "lay-by" too soon. Three cultivations may do but often it takes four or five. Many farmers hustle to get their corn plowed three times, then pride themselves in standing on the street corner and saying, "Too late to plow corn, finished laying-by last week." Perhaps their corn wasn't over knee high. Only poor farmers do this. If season is dry cultivate once at least after corn has tasseled. Do this by dragging a mower wheel down the rows to make a mulch and thus hold the moisture. Put a horse to the wheel, a boy on the horse and start him up and down the rows. Use a mower wheel or a tool made for the purpose. This pays, as it takes 400 pounds of water to grow one pound of dry fall grass and you need all the moisture to go into the corn. You can't grow corn, grass and weeds in the same field and get 80 bushels of corn per acre.

For the second crop, if the ground is baked, cut your stalks and then disc the ground before breaking. This will do away with clods under the surface. Harrow each day's plowing or disc after the plow if clods are in evidence. This seems like a lot of work, but it pays. It takes brains and muscle to farm. A fool or a lazy man had better do day labor, then he doesn't interfere with God's great gift to man, even if he is expensive to the one who hires him.

Send us your order for Seed Corn and thus have one of the essentials for a bumper crop of corn and attend to the other three yourself, trusting to the weather maker for the fifth.

GOOD SEED AND GOOD SOIL PAYS. TEN ACRES EQUAL FORTY OF COMMON CORN.
FIGURE THIS OUT FOR YOURSELF and BE CONVINCED.

Land being worth \$150.00 per acre and money 5 per cent, ten acres of corn yielding 80 bushels shows as much profit as 40 acres yielding 50 bushels.

	TEN ACRES		FORTY ACRES	
Yield	800		2000	
Worth at 35c		\$280.00		\$700.00
Interest on money invested at 5 per cent.....	\$75.00		\$300.00	
Taxes, at 50c per acre	5.00		20.00	
Cost of growing	40.00		160.00	
Cost of husking and marketing grain	40.00		100.00	
Total expense		160.00		580.00
Net profit		\$120.00		\$120.00

WHAT SHOULD SEED CORN COST?

Nothing is expensive if it pays; anything that returns a profit is cheap; profits, not cost, count in balancing up the year's business. Corn is too profitable a crop, land is too high, life is too short, to use anything but the best. Five bushels of seed will ordinarily plant 40 acres. Twenty-five cents per acre pays for the seed. Now if you only get 1 bushel per acre more, you receive \$20 back on a \$10 investment. Yet you were not out \$10 because you would have had to use your own seed if you had not bought and if you count your labor anything, it is worth to you \$5, so the seed purchased really cost you only \$5.

The ordinary farmer hasn't the time nor the place to carry on seed breeding, neither has he the place to take care of it after he has grown it. It is expensive business breeding and caring for pure bred corn, and the only way a seed man makes it pay is by selling thousands of bushels.

You can purchase seed corn of so-called seed men for a dollar a bushel. Some farmer has a double corn crib, he fills it up with corn, advertises that he has seed corn. Now his corn may be good, but how can he take care of it, with no heat or ventilating system. You might just as well use your own corn. Farmers buy of these men or some big general seed house that buys all their seed corn in the open market and because they get bit, they think all seed men are dishonest, so that the few of us who grow our own corn and try to do an honest business have a hard fight to overcome this prejudice. You will see an ad or get a catalogue stating that the seed corn advertised will yield 150 bushels per acre, etc. Now such talk is a lie, pure and simple. Fifty to ninety bushels is a big crop of corn and every farmer knows this. Where special fertilizing is carried on 100 to 125 bushels may be grown, but this is the exception.

Order your corn of us early and have it shipped later. This assures you of getting your orders filled. Remember that we have to return money every season because we haven't enough seed to fill ALL the orders we receive. Last year we returned over \$14,000.

We grow our own corn, 2,000 acres, and do not ship you any old thing, but first class, pure bred seed. We devote our entire time to seed corn only.

Let your horses, cattle or hogs run down by inbreeding or using scrub males and you have runts. The same is true with seed corn.

Two farmers plant corn the same day on the same kind of soil, only a fence between. One field comes up and is thrifty from the start, the other grows sickly plants, is a runt while growing and a runt when sold. The other is a mortgage lifter from the start. The first farmer used pure bred seed, the second picked his from his crib or bought it of a neighbor. Send us your order today.

Keep down your weeds, keep up repairs, keep pure bred stock from chickens up, rotate your crops, use Sutton's Seed Corn, live within your means, and you will be happy and prosper.

Every bushel of our seed corn was sorted and was placed in our dry house the day it was husked. Forty huskers, 80 loads, were hauled in a single day this year. Thirty-five men rough sorted it as it came in.



ONE CORNER OF OUR OFFICE. 1

OUR PRICE IS CONSERVATIVE.

We examine each ear in both the ear and shelled corn and with a knife pick out bad grains, if any appear. Then we are using steam heat and hot air furnace and electric fans on a large scale. All this costs and if we didn't sell thousands of bushels of seed we couldn't stand the expense at the price we ask.

Farmers who dabble in seed corn in a small way can sell for less—they use a corn crib or a barn, have no heat, air shafts or fans, do not advertise, or have any other expense. They may sell it for a dollar or a dollar and a half per bushel, but they do not have as good seed as where it is kept as we keep it. They may have the very same corn but they can't protect it from frost and dampness as we do. A gentleman direct from the seed department at Washington visited us 3 years ago and said that our plant was the most scientifically ventilated and heated of any seed corn house he had ever visited. Isn't it worth ten cents per acre to you to get seed from a house that cares for it in this way even though some farmer who has fixed up his double corn crib for seed corn will sell you corn at \$1.00 per bushel? Come visit our plant and be convinced.

WHAT OUR BANKERS SAY.

To Whom it May Concern:

Mason City, Ill., January 8, 1902.

We have personally known G. D. Sutton and C. A. McHarry, of our city, for years, and cheerfully recommend them to all, as being honest and reliable in all respects, and we believe that they will sustain any statement they make in their seed catalogue.

OTHO S. KING, Cashier People's Bank.

FRED W. BUEHRIG, Cash'r Central Illinois Bank.

JOHN FREEMAN, Pres. Farmers' State Bank.

LETTERS FROM SATISFIED ILLINOIS CUSTOMERS.

Springfield, Ill., Sept. 28, 1910.

In regard to the seed corn I got of you last spring, I will say it turned out well and is making big yield, can't say just how much, but is the best I ever raised.

H. L. KRAMER.

Patoka, Ill., Sept. 30, 1910.

The seed I got of you was all right. Had a good stand and a promise of a good crop till it was coming in roasting ears when we had a good rain and bad wind storm that tore the corn down and twisted it badly. What is standing has matured all right and the ears are fine.

J. M. MANLEY.

Abingdon, Ill., Oct. 27, 1910.

The ninety bushels of seed that I ordered of you for myself and neighbors gave good satisfaction although the weather conditions at planting time were very unfavorable. Your seed gave us a good stand and although we have not commenced to gather the crop yet I am confident we will secure an extra large yield.

GEO. W. CLINE.

Jacksonville, Ill., Sept., 1910.

The White Dent I purchased of you last spring grew well and will yield about 60 bushels, I think. It is the earliest white corn I ever grew.

E. A. RANSON.

Canton, Ill., Sept. 28, 1910.

The seed corn I got of you people did very well considering the spring.

I have an extra good piece of Reid's Yellow Dent. The Leaming and Boone Co. White are both good. I did not have to plant any over as lots of my neighbors did.

JAPTHA F. RANDOLPH.

Hopedale, Ill., Sept. 30, 1910.

The seed corn bought of you this spring has proved very satisfactory in every respect. We have 220 acres planted to Leaming which is an extra good stand and promises a very heavy yield.

J. H. HENDERSON.

Spring Hill, Ill., Sept. 29, 1910.

Received your seed corn in good condition and am well pleased with the stand considering the cold wet spring. Will speak a good word for the G. D. Sutton Co.

DAVID YRICH.

Ashland, Ill., Sept. 28, 1910.

The seed corn I got from you was good. It all came up and had almost perfect stand. I think it will make 75 bushels to the acre. I am well pleased with it.

CHAS. EDWARDS.

Clayton, Ill., Sept. 30, 1910.

In regard to your seed corn, I will say that it gave good satisfaction. We have the Boone Co. White and it looks as if it would make 65 or 70 bushels to the acre.

HENRY BECKMAN.

Chandlerville, Ill., Sept. 29, 1909.

Regarding the Yellow Dent Corn I purchased of you last spring, will say that I am much pleased with it. I honestly believe it will make 80 bushels to the acre. It is of fine quality.

HENRY M. DILLON.

Bloomington, Ill., Sept., 1910.

In regard to the seed I bought of you last spring I beg to say I have an elegant stand and it has matured nicely. I do not believe any of it would be injured by frost if we should have any now. I can find no smut. The seed is of excellent quality.

GEO. G. WHIPPLE.

WE EXAMINE EACH EAR BEFORE SHELLING OR CRATING.

Farmingdale, Ill., Sept., 1910.

I wish to say that I am greatly pleased with the corn I ordered from you and am safe in saying that 99 grains out of every 100 grew. It will make 75 bushels to the acre. If it had rained a little sooner I believe it would have made close to 100 bushels to the acre.

I am greatly pleased with your corn.

ALEXANDER CAMPBELL.

Cameron, Ill., Oct. 1, 1910.

I have just been through the fields of corn grown from your seed, and must say it is as fine corn as one might wish to see. I have bought seed corn of you the past two seasons and I think it the best investment a person can make. I am satisfied that our yield has been greatly increased both years and our stand has been splendid. In fact, it has made us feel very good to have our stand so splendid while our neighbors were replanting from their home grown seed. Wishing you every success and thanking you for your courteous business methods, I am

Very truly,

A. J. TEMPLE.

Morton, Ill., Oct. 3, 1910.

Your seed gave the best of satisfaction and I am sure my corn will make 50 bushels to the acre on clay ground. The cold weather in the spring caused some of it to rot and made a thin stand but that was not in the seed. So I am more than pleased with the corn and I think I am gaining a big per cent by getting my seed from the Sutton Seed Co.

GEO. VOGEL.

Danville, Ill., Oct. 2, 1910.

The seed corn I got of you more than came up to my expectations. I feel sure that my corn will yield 65 bushels per acre. It is of excellent quality very large firm ears. Thanking you very much for your prompt shipment, and an all round square deal, I am respectfully,

JESSE DODSON.

Farmington, Ill., Nov., 1910.

In regard to your seed corn, I am well satisfied. The leaming is on sod ground and I think it will make 100 bushels to the acre. It is the best in the neighborhood. Sutton's Favorite won't do so well but it isn't on such good ground. The White Dent is planted beside it and will make right around 60 bushels to the acre. I expect to send for some Reid's Yellow Dent this fall.

I am much pleased with the corn considering the dry weather we had.

ARTHUR ARCHDALE.

Aledo, Ill., Oct., 1910.

I purchased something like 226 bushels of seed corn from you last spring for myself and neighbors and only know of two fields that had to be replanted and I think it was because they planted the corn too deep. The corn is going to make a good yield some saying as high as 80 bushels on good soil.

Suttons Reid's Yellow Dent took two firsts, one second and one third prize out of four entries at the Mercer County Fair in September, which shows it has some class to it.

R. FINIS CABEEN.

Stronghurst, Ill., Oct., 1910.

My seed corn turned out fine. I have a good stand and a prospect of a big yield.

C. G. RICHEY.

Ipava, Ill., Oct. 3, 1910.

The seed corn bought of you last spring was OK. Had a good stand of corn from it and as well eared corn as I ever saw. Will come again when in need of seed corn.

ROBT HAMMOND.

Flanagan, Ill., Oct. 4, 1910.

The Sutton's White Dent which I purchased of you has made a wonderful growth. We had a backward season and a drouth, too. It will make better than 55 bushels to the acre.

H. D. DOWELL.

Tuscola, Ill., Oct. 3, 1910.

I got the best stand of corn I ever had and though the season has not been very good for corn, I am safe to say my crop of 118 acres will make 50 bushels per acre. I will recommend your Boone County to others.

WM. WALDROP.

Vermont, Ill., Oct., 1910.

I am well pleased with your seed corn. We never got better returns from seed corn. It gave good satisfaction.

G. W. WELCH.

Ashland, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Your corn gave pretty good results, I think it will yield about 65 or 70 bushels per acre. I planted it on a 15 acre piece of clover ground one and two in a hill, every stock has a good ear filled with grains right to the end. I think it is pretty good.

J. O. WULF.

Stonington, Ill., Oct. 23, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—As to my success with the seed corn that I bought of you last spring, "Boone County White," will say was good. Owing to the bad season we had in these parts. Think it will make seventy bushels per acre as it was on the best of ground. Will send for more next spring. Send me your catalogue and oblige,

Yours truly,

F. R. ZEIGLER.

Pleasant Plains, Ill., Nov. 1, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Your seed corn, "Boone County White," did very well. The land where it grew was not of the best quality, but I think the corn will yield 55 or 60 bushels per acre. We have not gathered it yet.

Yours truly,

J. M. HOWARD.

Rutland, Ill., Oct. 27, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The corn proved very satisfactory although I planted it on spring plowing and it was rather dry and cloddy the first of the season but the late rains brought it out so that it made something like 55 or 60 bushels per acre. Have not husked much of it yet but have picked some fine seed corn. Wishing you success, I am

Yours very truly,

S. M. ROE.

Wilmington, Ill., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The corn we sold coming from you gave satisfaction this year. It is somewhat later than most of the corn raised here but it is turning out a better yield.

STEINHART & WHITMORE.

Robinson, Ill., Oct. 26, 1909.

Dear Sir:—In regard to "Gold Standard Leaming," it was good for the chance it had, some of it made 40 bushels to the acre but the season was too wet to do much good. I think it pays to plant pure bred seed corn.

Yours truly,

E. C. COVLEY.

Marseilles, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn we got from you was good, it was nice seed and grew good corn. We picked about 700 ears for seed and it is fine. To anyone sending for seed corn I say that the G. D. Sutton Co. is all right.

Yours truly,

ARTHUR J. CHAPMAN.

Cissna Park, Ill., Oct. 31, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Your seed corn was O.K. and think it is making 50 to 55 bushels an acre.

Yours truly,

JOSEPH RUDIN.

Hillview, Ill., Oct. 26, 1909.

Gentlemen:—In regard to your inquiring about the results I got from the seed corn purchased from you would say that I planted 26 acres a little early and a little deep and a big rain came on it just about the time we got done, had to plant over.

Fifteen acres planted a little later done fine, making sixty bushels to the acre or more. Your seed corn is all right.

Yours truly,

J. A. STEELMAN.

Lerna, Ill., Oct. 27, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I cannot complain of the results that your seed gave me. I want a new catalogue, I may write you later.

Yours truly,

A. F. MATTHEWS.

Lincoln, Ill., Nov. 2, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—In answer to your circular will say my corn is turning out better than I expected. The "Gold Standard Yellow" close to seventy bushels per acre. The white corn sixty-five bushels per acre. I am well pleased with the corn.

Very truly yours,

WM. SHAW.

Rantoul, Ill., Oct. 24, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The corn I purchased of you last spring is turning out far beyond my expectations. The "Leaming" is making 75 bushels by weight, 80 pounds to the bushel. I have not husked any of the "Reid's Yellow Dent," but it don't look quite as good. I would have had a good deal more corn if I had bought all of my seed from you. The quality is good. With nothing but good words and best wishes for your company I remain,

Yours truly,

A. H. THAYER.

Mt. Vernon, Ill., Oct. 25, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I am very well pleased with the returns of my corn bought of you. I got a "No. 1" good stand but the season was very cold and wet early and I had to plant a little late on account of it, but think my corn will make 50 bushels or better. I think that very good for down in "Egypt."

Wishing you success, I am yours to command,

R. B. MOSS, R.F.D. No. 6.

Buda, Ill., Nov. 2, 1909.

Sirs:—Will say the corn I got from you was all OK., although a little late for this far north. Grew one hundred per cent and will yield from sixty-five to seventy-five bushels. Large ears, well formed and noticeable for the number that had two ears to a stock.

We cut for fodder to feed to fattening cattle, so think we will get all there is in it.

Yours truly,

HARRY PRATT.

Whitehall, Ill., Nov. 5, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I am very well pleased with your corn. The dry weather struck us at the wrong time, but my corn will go seventy bushels or better to the acre and a nice sample.

Yours truly,

C. E. POTTS.

Weldon, Ill., Nov. 4, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I find "Reid's Yellow Dent" the best filled corn I ever saw grow. My old pasture that I plowed last winter made 75 bushels per acre over the scales. The old ground is making sixty to sixty-five bushels per acre. The white corn looks just as good. I will want some more in the spring.

Yours truly,

H. A. HUNT.

Niantic, Ill., April 22, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I sent you an order some time in March for two bushels of Sutton's Boone Co. White corn which I received OK. If you can send me two bushels more as good or better than what I did get why crate it up immediately and set it away and write me at once if you have it and I will send you check by return mail.

O. M. CLARK.

Champaign, Ill., Nov. 5, 1909.

I took ten ears of "Sutton's White Dent" to the corn show this fall and took first prize, and my brother-in-law, who had part of the seed, and whose average will be about fifty bushels or better, took second prize in a class for different varieties in which were Silver Mine and "Boone County" and others. I intend to try the corn another year. Thanking you for promptness in your dealing, I am

Yours truly,

J. G. JACKSON.

Rock Bridge, Ill., Nov. 8, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Will say in regard to the corn I received from you last spring, the "Yellow Dent" is very satisfactory, making about sixty-five bushels per acre good sound corn. The "Sutton's Favorite" (white) is very good, but not so good as the Dent. The ears are a little small, although think it will yield fifty bushels or a little more. I have a neighbor that planted some of your "Improved Boone County White" which is fine corn. I think I will plant some of it next year.

Yours truly,

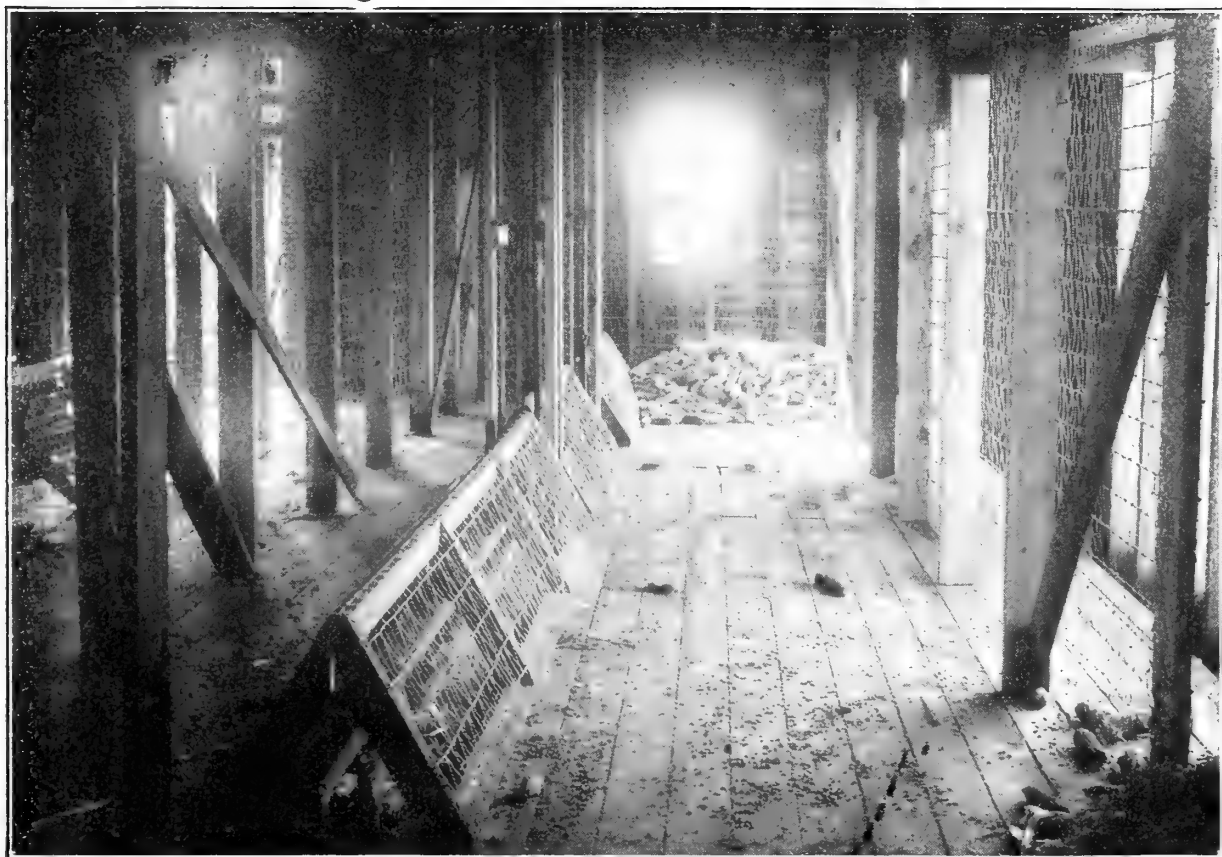
HERBERT HACKLEY.

Quakertown, Pa., April 4, 1909.

Gentlemen:—For the last four years I have been sending off for my seed corn and have been badly rogued, as I wrote to you before. From a friend of mine I happened to get a small balance of your Reid's Yellow Dent which he had left after done planting last year, and I must say I had never anything to yield as many tons of that form of food per acre as that did and was planted on the 17th of June, and the neighbors say they never witnessed the like before. Therefore, gentlemen, I beg your kind favor to furnish me the same good quality and brand of seed.

Yours very respectfully,

P. L. SLIFER.



One of the vaults where we store part of our corn. Showing the air shafts, steam pipes, etc. Corn is within 2½ feet of air or steam at any point.

Canton, Ill., Nov. 8, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I had good success with your seed corn. It germinated well and results were very satisfactory. Yours respectfully,

WM. SHOOP.

Winchester, Ill., Nov. 9, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The G. D. Sutton Seed Corn is good seed. I have used it and can say it has paid me many times my planting seed that grows and will use more in 1910. Yours truly,

WM. HODKINSON.

Camden, Ill., Nov. 8, 1909.

Kind Sirs:—The seed corn all did well, and made a good yield. I have not picked my corn yet this fall. I want some more corn for spring. Yours truly,

WALTER WARRINGTON.

Glasford, Ill., Nov. 15, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I had very good luck with the seed corn I purchased from you. I have clay soil. The corn is of good quality in spite of wet weather. Yours truly,

JOHN HURST.

Rushville, Ill., Nov. 8, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Must say I am perfectly satisfied. Good stand and ears well filled. "Boone County White" looks as though it would make seventy or seventy-five bushels per acre.

Yours very truly, ARTHUR SMITH.

Dwight, Ill., Nov. 14, 1909.

Kind Sirs:—In regard to the seed corn I bought of you, it did well and I am well pleased with it. Yours truly,

CHRIST CHRISTENSON, R.F.D. 5.

Detroit, Ill., Nov. 12, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I have husked about one-third of my "White Dent." I did not get a very good stand from it but think the field of "White Dent" will yield about sixty-five bushels per acre. I am well pleased with the results and think it pays to plant good seed.

Very truly, J. F. SMITH.

Carrollton, Ill., May 13, 1909.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed find check for thirty dollars (\$30) in payment for the seed corn. I was very well pleased with your seed corn and I would like to get (5) five bushels more. Please send this if you have it, right away by express.

Yours truly, J. O. L. CARMODY.

Elkhart, Ill., Nov. 3, 1909.

Dear Sir:—The seed corn came to me in good condition and has turned out a very good yield and of good quality making seventy-five bushels to the acre. I have some very good seed picked from it for next year.

Yours very truly, C. W. LEE.

Irving, Ill., May 4, 1909.

Dear Sir:—We were well pleased with our 8 bushels of seed corn you sent us April 1. J. D. Neece, who received his May 1, is well satisfied. Please put us down for next year's catalogue.

Yours truly,
WM. LAUNSBURY.

Delavan, Ill., May 8, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Enclosed please find draft for five dollars (\$5) to pay for that two (2) bushels of Leaming ear corn sent me May 6. Thank you for promptness in getting the corn to me. I was well pleased with all the corn you shipped me this year. It was very fine quality. I like Leaming corn to feed and am well pleased with this corn.

Very truly,
FRANK M. ORNDORFF.
Canton, Ill., Nov. 1, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn I got of you came out fine. The Yellow Dent I think will make about sixty bushels. I had it in a field by itself away from the other corn and I have gotten some fine seed out of it.

The "Boone County White" will make 70 bushels or better, I have not shucked it yet, but it is good corn.

Yours truly,
JEPHTHA F. RANDOLPH,
R.F.D. No. 2.

Flora, Ill., Nov. 1, 1909.

Kind Sirs:—The seed corn I bought of you last spring, "Reid's Yellow Dent," and "Sutton's Favorite," as to the germination of it, it was A No. 1. Just finished husking the "Reid's" made 45 bushels per acre good fair corn. Am husking "Sutton's Favorite" and it will beat the yellow, big fine long ears, some fourteen inches long, think it will go fifty bushels per acre.

When I want good seed corn in the future I know where to find it, of the G. D. Sutton Co., Mason City, Ill.

Very truly,
C. E. BOWEN.

Jacksonville, Ill., Nov. 1, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn I got from you was good; it all came up in fine stand; the yield is good, it would have been heavier but for the hot August. I was well pleased with it.

Very truly yours,
JAS. CUNNINGHAM,
R.F.D. No. 6.

Arthur, Ill., Nov. 2, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn purchased of you last spring gave good satisfaction, never had a better stand of corn, the dry weather in August injured the corn until we are only getting from 45 to 50 bushels on old land and about 60 bushels on sod land.

Yours truly,
D. A. MILLER,
R.F.D. No. 4.

Carlinville, Ill., Nov. 12, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I am well pleased with your seed corn, had very good success with it, my white corn is making sixty to sixty-five bushels per acre and is a good sample.

Yours truly,
E. C. COSTLEY.

Mellette, Okla., Nov. 6, 1909.

Gentlemen:—This seed corn gave the best of satisfaction, it being a dry year here, the early qualities of the corn gave us a much better yield than our corn that was planted the same day. My neighbors want me to save seed for them from the crop from your seed corn.

Very truly, HENRY MARTIN.

Guthrie, Okla., Oct. 23, 1909.

The best corn I have is the yellow corn bought of you. Am sure it will make ten bushels more than my other corn per acre. Am well pleased.

Yours respectfully,
WILLARD SMITH, R.F.D. No. 5.

"101 Ranch" Bliss, Okla., Oct. 24, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Very good results from your seed corn; better than any other yellow variety we had this year. Will make about sixty-five bushels per acre where the general average over the country is less than thirty.

Yours truly,
MILLER BROS.

Schaefferstown, Pa., Nov. 9, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The results obtained from the seed corn bought of you for last year's crop were very good. The seed was of very good quality, practically all of it germinating and had a good and regular stand of corn.

Very truly,
J. P. MEYER.

Indiana Gets Value Received.

Galveston, Ind., Oct. 24, 1908.

Dear Sir:—I will try and answer your inquiries I received some time ago. Will say I was pleased with seed corn received from you and am more than pleased with present crop. I have raised from the above mentioned seed. It matured here long before frost, is well filled at both ends, is well dented, is deep grained, good color and is certainly true to type. Any one wishing to buy good seed corn should not hesitate in buying of you for they will surely get value received.

Yours respectfully,
C. M. HARNESS.

Williamsport Ohio, March 18, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I just received your 16 bu. of seed corn and am much pleased with it. It is good looking corn and looks like true to type, and would like to know if you tested it. Looks like grains had been taken from each ear. As I test all my seed so if you have tested it it will save me the work.

Yours truly,
J. B. KENDRICK.

UNSTINTED PRAISE FROM OUR CUSTOMERS.

Roseville, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Your "Reid's Yellow Dent" seed corn that I bought of you last spring gave very good results. Would like to get about 300 bu. more next spring just as good. We have a bumper corn crop this season.

Respectfully yours, H. T. LAPE.

Rushville, Ill., Oct. 23, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Will say the "Reid's Yellow Dent" seed corn I purchased of you last spring gave excellent satisfaction and was all right in every way and gave a good stand of strong, healthy plants.

Yours truly,
D. A. SHERMAN.

Kilbourne, Ill., Oct. 25, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Your seed corn gave satisfaction in every respect and is all that you claim for it.

Yours respectfully, J. B. CONOVER.

Moweaqua, Ill., March 22, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Will you kindly let me know if you have White Dent seed corn in stock? I would like one bushel. My Boone County White (from seed I got of you last year) matured so well I got a good supply of seed from it. Next year I will want a fresh supply all around from you, as I believe its the only way to keep at the head of the procession.

Respectfully, IRA T. BAIRD.

Edinburg, Ill., March 10, 1909.

Enclosed please find postoffice money order for which to pay for the two (2) bushels of seed corn which I received of you, \$5 order No. 915 shipped out Feb. 20. The corn is fine and ought to have been paid before, but I was out west.

Yours truly, THOS. HUNSLEY, SR.

Box 6, Route 3.

Shelbyville, Ill., Feb. 24, 1909.

Dear Sir:—Enclosed you will find check for twenty-two dollars and fifty cents for which send us nine bushels of corn in crate. This is the second time we have ordered corn from you. We have increased our yield from 10 to 15 bushels to the acre since we commenced planting pure bred corn. Can't speak too well for Reid's Yellow Dent. Our neighbors say it is the finest corn they ever saw. We sold several bushels last spring for seed. Send the corn in time before you run out as we could not get along without it.

Yours truly, MICHAEL SMITH.

Minier, Ill., April 3, 1909.

Dear Friend:—I wish you would write and let me know if I can get about 14 bushels of Yellow Leaming Seed Corn. I got my corn from you last year and raised about 90 bushels per acre. I am,

A. E. HANING.

Smithshire, Ill., Feb. 8, 1909.

Gentlemen:—In reference to your corn which was received on 2nd inst., I must say that it proved entirely satisfactory in testing, also in quality, as I find nearly every ear in a good, solid condition. Thanking you for your favor, I remain,

Yours truly,
JOHN ST. LEDGER.

Rantoul, Ill., Oct. 24, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The corn I purchased of you last spring is turning out far beyond my expectations. The "Leaming" is making 75 bushels by weight, 80 pounds to the bushel. I have not husked any of the "Reid's Yellow Dent" but it don't look quite as good. I would have had a good deal more corn if I had bought all of my seed from you. The quality is good. With nothing but good words and best wishes for your company, I remain,

Yours truly,
A. H. THAYER.

"The Prairie View Stock Farm."

St. Joseph, Ill., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I am pleased to tell you that I have a good crop of "Sutton's Favorite" grown from the seed which I purchased of you in the spring. It will yield at least sixty bushels per acre. Am satisfied that had the season not been so dry it would easily have yielded 75 bushels per acre. I find that it is all you claim it to be. Wishing you success, I remain,

Yours truly, JESSE R. GLASCOCK.

Philo, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The two bushels of "Boone County" seed corn I received from you last spring was fine. I planted it about the fifth of May. The weather turned very cold and wet after planting but nevertheless it all came up nicely and showed a good stand. I have not gathered any of it yet but think it will make about sixty bushels per acre. Will be pleased to get one of your new catalogues as soon as out.

I remain yours, CHARLES BUDDIE.

Lawrenceville Ill., Oct. 23, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Your corn has been very satisfactory to me. I have raised some fine corn from your seed. I will want 8 or 10 bushels again next spring.

Yours truly,
A. E. SMITH.

Clinton, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I had splendid success with your seed corn. I put it on bottom land newly broken out and I have certainly had some fine seed and I firmly believe it will average 75 bushels per acre. Mr. Weldon is more than pleased with it. Thanking you for past favors and wishing you continued success I remain,

Yours very truly, SHERMAN GLENN.

Burton View, Ill., Oct. 23, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn "White Dent," received of you last spring has proved satisfactory in every way. The dry weather during the summer has seriously injured much of the corn in this vicinity. Taking this into consideration and the fact that it was also planted on the poorest ground I think that in yielding about fifty bushels per acre it is doing very well. I am well satisfied with the corn.

Respectfully, CHAS. BELK.

Atlanta, Ill., Oct. 22, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn I got of you did well this year, it will make about 70 bushels to the acre if it holds out like it is doing now and good quality. Thank you for catalogue.

Yours truly, T. L. SMOOK.

Canton, Ill., Oct. 26, 1909.

The corn we got of your company come fine and is fine, we are shucking it now; it is well filled at the ends.

Yours,
L. F. RANDOLPH, R.F.D. No. 2.

Kilbourne, Ill., Oct. 25, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Your seed corn gave satisfaction in every respect and is all that you claim for it.

Yours respectfully, J. B. CONOVER.

Peoria, Ill., Oct. 21, 1909.

Gents:—Will say the seed corn purchased of you has been very satisfactory, in fact could not have been better. My corn this year will yield sixty-five to seventy bushels per acre on clay land. Wishing you success I remain,

Respectfully, R. R. WAUGH.

Mt. Pulaski, Ill., Nov. 1, 1909.

Dear Sir:—That "Boone County" I got of you last spring was certainly fine. I planted sixty acres of it and I think every grain of it grew. I have not shucked any of it yet but I am satisfied it will yield ten bushels more to the acre than my yellow corn will. I think I will plant all "Boone County White" next year.

Truly yours, D. B. COPELAND.

Farmer City, Ill., Nov. 13, 1909.

The seed corn I got of you was all right, the seed came good, had a good stand of corn. The "Boone County White" was planted on stalk ground made me forty-five bushels to the acre. The "White Dent" I planted on sod ground have not shucked it yet but think it will make between 60 and 70 bushels to the acre. I expect to order seed from you again in the spring.

Respectfully, LEWIS SHREVE.

Delavan, Ill., Nov. 15, 1909.

Dear Sir:—The "Favorite White" seed corn I purchased of you last spring was good and will

make 60 bushels which is a very good yield for this neighborhood this year. Wishing you much success in your business I remain,

Yours, W. D. LIVERMORE.

Delavan, Ill., Nov. 13, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I am well pleased with my "Boone County" seed corn purchased of you last spring. It makes sixty-five bushels to the acre, and I was well pleased with the "White Dent" also, it yielded sixty bushels to the acre.

Yours respectfully,
ED. DIEKHOFF.

LETTERS FROM OUR MISSOURI FRIENDS

Emden, Mo., Oct. 1910.

Your seed corn is all right. I don't see how it could be any better. I have the best crop I ever raised.

T. W. COLLINS.

Bolckow, Mo., Oct. 13, 1910.

I took first Premium at the Bolckow Fair on Boone County White. I got a good stand from the seed I got of you. Corn in this section was not very good on account of dry weather in July and August. Your seed proved to be all right.

MATT. CRISS.

Monticello, Mo., Oct. 3, 1910.

I am well pleased with the seed corn I got of you this spring. I never had seed come up as well and it is going to large yield. I think it will make 60 bushels per acre.

J. D. DENNISTON.

Bunton, Mo., Oct., 1910.

The corn I got of you last spring will make 50 or 60 bushels. My other corn will make 30 or 35 bushels. I think it is fine corn and I am going to plant my entire crop of that corn next year.

T. J. MOORE.

Fortuna, Mo., Oct., 1910.

Taking everything into consideration the seed corn did well. I do not know just what it will make per acre.

A. J. LEHMAN.

Triplett, Mo., Sept. 30, 1910.

The seed corn purchased of you last spring has proven entirely satisfactory in spite of a most unfavorable season at planting time.

Have 20 acres planted with Leaming June 21 that by Oct. 10 will be fully matured and will, I estimate, make 75 bushels per acre.

M. W. HOUSER.

Laredo, Mo., Oct., 1910.

I am well pleased with the seed corn. We had a cold, wet spring. Some of the farmers had to plant a third time but your seed came good and I have a fine crop. I will recommend your corn to my neighbors and friends.

C. T. BERLIN.

Vandalia, Mo., Oct. 21, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn was good, I got a good stand.

Respectfully,
W. C. THOMPSON.

Monticello, Mo., Oct. 23, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn I bought of you did well considering the season got a good stand and it is turning out well. I can cheerfully recommend you as being reliable and doing just what you agree to do.

Yours very truly, J. T. LESLIE.

Mexico, Mo., Oct. 28, 1909.

I am well satisfied with the prospect I have, owing to the severe drought of last July and August when the corn needed the most moisture. I except to husk 50 bushels per acre, some have estimated it as high as 60. The corn is of good quality and well filled.

I expect to get my seed from you again this spring. Wishing you the best of success, I am yours for Good Seed Corn.

THEO. H. SELB.

The Homestead Berkshire Herd.

Jefferson City, Mo., Nov. 1, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn, "Reid's Yellow Dent," we bought from you gave very good results, and it all came up fine and grew right along in spite of very dry weather. We think it is a great corn and we will plant it again in the spring.

Yours very respectfully,
WALLENDORF BROS.

Centralia, Mo., Nov. 1, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Will say the seed corn came up to a good stand and grew nicely all through the season. The "Yellow Dent" matured best, that is, better than the "Boone County White." We had a poor season—too wet on the start and no rain after July 26. Am well satisfied with the yield. "Yellow Dent" made sixty bushels per acre; "Boone County" is making sixty bushels straight on more rolling land. Can heartily recommend you as an honest and reliable firm.

Yours truly, CHAS. E. SELLERS.



Corner of Shelled Seed Dept.



Corner of Shelled Seed Dept.

LETTERS FROM IOWA

Adair, Iowa, Oct. 2, 1910.

Your corn for yielding quality is OK. The cold spring and later the drouth was against it, but the corn from your seed will make 10 and 15 bushels to the acre more than my own.

I feed all of my corn to hogs and Leaming makes more pork than any corn I ever tried.

A. J. VOKT.

Blairstown, Iowa, Sept., 1910.

The seed corn I purchased of your firm is perfect in every way. The year was too dry for good filling. The corn is now hard and firm and the stand is excellent. The yield will be near 60 bushels per acre which is fine for this year.

JOE JACOBS.

Newton, Iowa, Oct., 1910.

The seed corn I purchased of you last spring was No. 1 in all respects. We tested every ear before planting and found it to be OK. I have a fine crop of corn this year.

JOHN R. WOODROW.

Batavia, Iowa, Oct. 3, 1910.

The seed corn I bought of you last spring was all right. It is very large eared, though the weather in the spring was bad at planting time and dry weather later on and the wind blew the corn down just after it began to ear so the corn did not have half a chance this year.

VERNON M. SALTS.

Muscatine, Iowa, Oct., 1910.

The seed corn proved to be all that any one could expect. Owing to a cold wet spring I replanted some, but the seed did fine and will make 70 bushels per acre, planted May 21, and was out of the way of the frost by Sept. 25.

Will probably want more seed next spring.

HENRY CULLIP.

Columbus Junction, Oct. 8, 1910.

The seed is all right and our corn will make about 80 bushels per acre.

WM. JONES.

Washington, Iowa.

The Boone Co. White seed corn we received of you last spring was all right, we could not make any complaint whatever. We did not have to replant when most of surrounding fields were.

A. B. DILL.

Williamsburg, Ia., Oct., 1910.

Your seed corn was all right that I got of you last spring, I expect from 60 to 75 bushels to the acre.

J. M. DUFFY.

Wyoming, Iowa, 1910.

The seed corn bought of you last spring was all right and I had a good stand. The corn is not out of the way of the frost yet but this year the dry weather delayed the corn a good deal.

STANLEY HOPKINS.

Bennett, Iowa, Oct. 4, 1910.

The twenty bushels of seed corn I got last spring gave me a good full stand.

I think it is the best corn in the county. It is good and dry and will give me 70 to 80 bushels per acre.

JULIUS BRUHN.

Morning Sun, Iowa, Oct. 17, 1910.

The corn came in splendid condition last spring. Got a good yield and the seed was satisfactory in every respect.

C. H. MCGINNIS.

Dexter, Iowa, 1910.

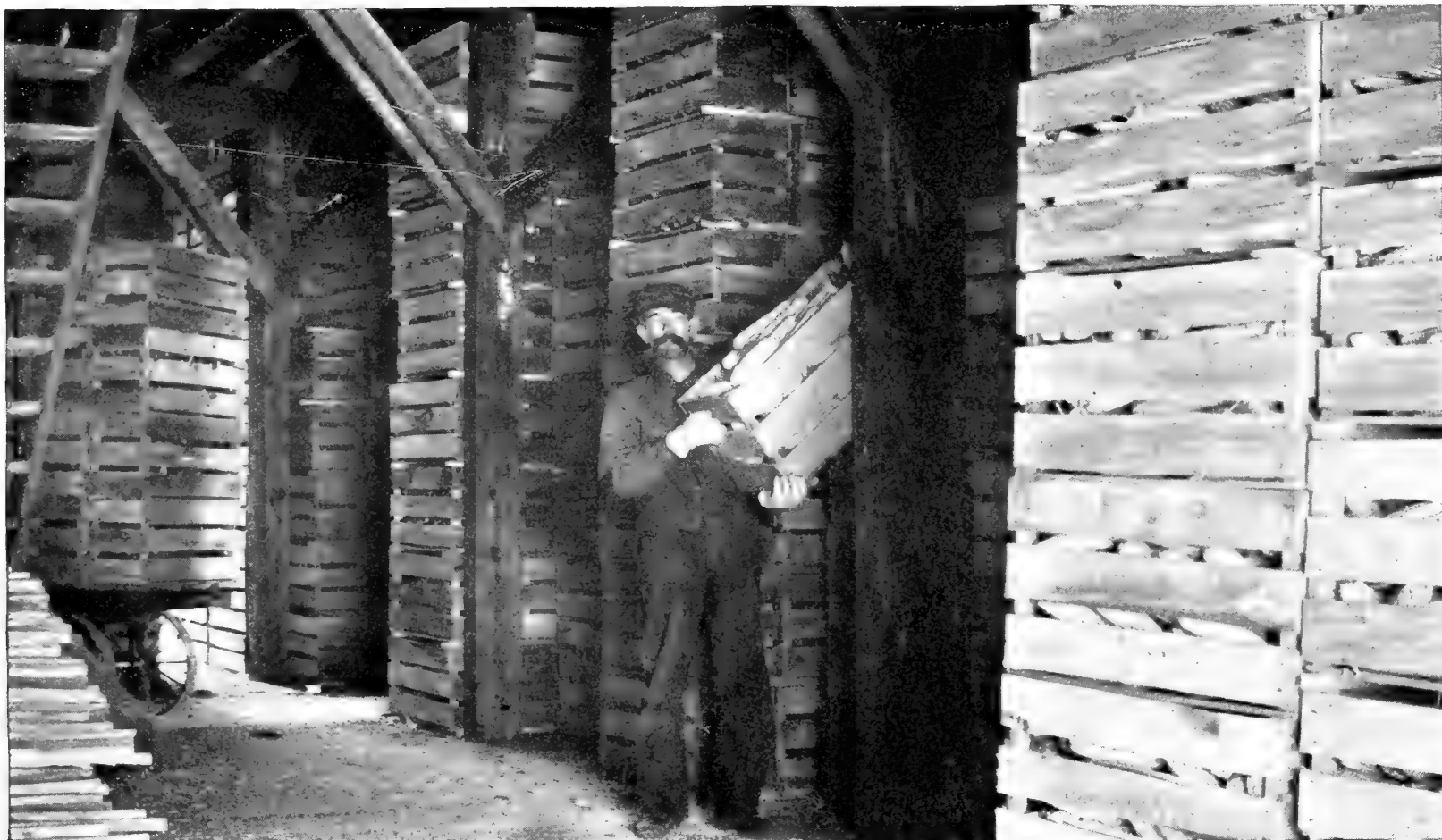
The seed corn did well owing to conditions last spring. The seed corn I bought of you two years ago grew fine and made 70 to 80 bushels per acre of sound corn.

LLOYD SPEER.

Hopkinton, Iowa, Oct. 20, 1910.

Your seed corn grew fine and I had a fine stand. Last spring was so cold that it surely gave seed corn a trial.

E. E. LUX.



Putting up Crate Seed loose in the boxes for drying.

LETTERS FROM INDIANA.

Chalmers, Ind., Oct. 6, 1910.

The seed corn I purchased of you has done exceedingly well, although the season has been very unfavorable.

WM. HOSHAW.

Francesville, Ind., 1910.

The seed corn I got from you came up fine and I am well pleased with it though the summer was very dry. Am going to plant it again next year. My corn will make 60 bushels.

ARTHUR FRITZ.

Clinton, Ind., Oct. 29, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Would like to say that the seed corn that I got from you was all O.K. It grew well, I have very good corn from it. Your corn is all right.

Yours very truly,

W. B. HELT.

Paoli, Ind., Nov. 1, 1909.

Gentlemen:—In regard to seed corn I bought of you would say that "Sutton's Favorite" gave me good results, it has a long sure ear, and not so big around as "Boone County" white, but has a smaller cob. It made 65 bushels per acre.

Yours truly,

WM. G. ELROD.

Winchester, Ind., Oct. 30, 1909.

Gentlemen:—We had good success with the seed corn we bought of you. The yellow corn will make ten bushels more to the acre than the yellow corn we have been raising for a number of years.

Yours truly,

J. W. KEMP.

Per H. G. Kemp.

Spiceland, Ind., May 16, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I wish to thank you for your promptness in sending me the Yellow Dent corn, also for the fairness in which you rectified your mistake. I shall surely recommend your firm to my friends and neighbors. It was my supposition that your shipping clerk tied the tag on the wrong bag.

I have had several chances to sell the white corn, but I consider it worth as much to me as to anyone. The mistake did not cause any delay

in my planting as it has been too wet to work the ground until Friday.

Yours respectfully,

J. D. HOLTSCLAW.

Richmond, Ind., March 19, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I have yours of the 18th relative to the seed corn catalog sent me sometime ago. I am not in the market this year for any seed, but desired to look over your catalog. You will remember I am the party who purchased some of your Leaming seed sometime ago and had such great success with it. I am replanting it this year and it is of a fine quality. I had 60 acres out last year and the entire crop averaged 80 bushels to the acre.

Wishing you a successful seed corn year, I remain,

Yours truly,

H. W. GILBERT.

Rockville, Ind., Oct. 29, 1909.

The corn I bought of you this spring proved perfectly satisfactory in every respect, will make fifty bushels per acre. Will want more seed next spring, please send catalogue.

Very truly yours,

S. H. BURKS.

Cedar Grove, Ind., Oct. 25, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I have been very well pleased with your seed corn. It grew nice and seemed like every grain grew. I had a nice stand of corn and it will make about 60 bushels to the acre. It has done better for me than any corn I ever raised. I am

Yours very truly,

ALFORD MERRELL.

Carmel, Ind., Oct. 19, 1908.

Dear Sir:—The Gold Standard Leaming seed corn that I got of you I planted in low background and plowed it five times and had three rains that wet the ground about an inch. This field will make between 45 and 50 bushels to the acre. Had a splendid stand. The white corn was planted in blue grass sod, it came up good but something worked on it and it hadn't a fair trial. I tested the seed when I got it and forth-eight out of fifty grew.

Yours truly,

S. L. VAN HART.



Receiving Seed direct from the field.

From Iowa Homestead.

A representative of this paper recently inspected the seed houses of G. D. Sutton, of Mason City, Ill., and was pleased to note the care in sorting, cleaning and grading seed corn. This firm is perfectly reliable and are shipping out corn which will grow. Nothing is left undone to send out good seed corn and those of our readers who have not yet purchased seed corn should write this firm for descriptive circular and prices at once.

Bourbon, Ind., Oct. 25, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I am well pleased with the corn I got from you. Still it is not as good a crop as it might have been. Will make 65 to 70 bushels per acre. Wet weather in the spring hurt it some, it is a little late and did not ripen as soon as my own seed did, but it will make from one third to one half more corn.

The fodder is larger than I like although it is well covered with foliage. The ears are large and well filled.

Yours truly,

I. H. GROSSMAN

OUR CORN YIELDS WELL IN ARKANSAS.

Okolona, Ark., Nov. 9, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The corn did not do very well but the season was bad and compared with native corn it did fine. Taking it as a whole the corn was satisfactory. I am going to try to make a record yield this year and would you be able to pick out some extra good seed of your heaviest producing corn for me? What would be your price?

Yours truly,

LLOYD SPENCER.

Bono, Ark., Oct. 25, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—I wish to say I had grand success with your seed corn indeed. I like "Reid's Yellow Dent" best, though "Sutton's Favorite White" is extra fine corn. Will plant nothing but your

corn next year, it is good enough for me. With best wishes, I am,

Very truly yours,

Very truly yours,

ROBT R. HARGETT.

Holly Grove, Ark., Oct. 25, 1906.

Dear Sir:—Your Sutton Favorite White Corn yielded fine. I planted ten acres of your white corn and gathered about fifty bushels per acre. The other corn that I ordered of you did well.

Yours respectfully,

J. E. HIX.

P. S.—All the seed corn that I bought of you was the best and soundest seed corn that I ever saw. Every grain seemed to come up, not a missing hill in my whole crop.

J.E.H.

FROM OUR TEXAS CUSTOMERS.

Lasoya, Texas, Dec. 6, 1903.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn I ordered from you last spring did well for the first year, particularly Sutton's Favorite. It made fifty bushels per acre, the Bone County White forty, and Reid's Yellow about the same. I think in another year it will make a better yield. I have some fine seed selected for another year's planting. Wishing you much success in your business, I remain,

C. W. BAKER.

Paris, Tex., Nov. 7, 1907.

Dear Sir:—Corn turned out very well for the rainy season.

Yours truly,

B. W. LEWIS.

Leomare, Tex., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I am well pleased with the results I got from my corn raised the past season from seed purchased from you. This was an un-

usually dry summer and the chinch bugs were on it most all the time it was making, still it made forty bushels per acre.

Yours respectfully,

E. E. CLARK.

Tioga, Tex., Dec. 7, 1907.

Dear Sir:—I received the corn last spring and was well pleased with it. I think it is the corn for this climate. Please send me your catalogue for 1908 and oblige.

Yours respectfully,

W. A. SCOGGIN.

Bells, Tex., Nov. 1, 1906.

Dear Sir:—My corn (Favorite and Reid) did fine. It made between sixty and seventy bushels per acre on ordinary ground. The ears measured eighteen and one-half inches long. Thanking you for your advice on corn, I remain as ever

Your customer,

WADE EVERHEART, R.F.D. No. 2.

A GOOD YIELD IN NEW YORK UNDER FAVORABLE CONDITIONS.

Waverly, N. Y., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—In spite of a very dry summer hard on the corn crop, the corn raised from your (Reid) seed was grand; green, large and strong for the silos. If I had planted our state corn, I would have been out as our state corn was too short to cut.

Yours,

FRED P. ELSBREE.

Waverly, N. Y., Jan. 7, 1909.

Dear Sir:—Please find enclosed check for \$50 for 25 bushels of Reid's Yellow Dent Seed Corn. Is this the same kind I had last year? It seems that what I ordered last year was Golden Dent Leaming. My corn last year was fine, standing 12 feet high and no rain from June out, making it the worst season ever known. Corn always looked strong and healthy. You may ship my order about April 1, unless I order it sooner. Wishing you a grand New Year and hoping we may have a better summer,

Yours,

F. P. ELSBREE.

Hammond, N. Y., Oct. 23, 1909.

Gentlemen:—We have had an extra big growth of corn from the seed that we have received of you for the past two years. Have the best corn this year that we ever grew, in fact, the best in this township, so they all say who have seen it. Will send another order this winter if all is well, wish you success in your seed corn.

Yours respectfully,

A. W. RODGER.

New York, N. Y., Oct. 21, 1908.

Dear Sir:—In answer to yours of October 14, we have a better crop of corn this season than ever before, more ears. We planted our corn early, rowed one way. This was not a good year for corn on Lang Island, very dry in July and August. We put in about sixteen acres. Have it half husked now so we know about the yield. I think it pays to get new seed corn about every year. Ours is a horse farm of 210 acres, twenty eight miles from New York.

Yours truly,

JACKSON BROTHERS.

BIG YIELDS FROM OUR CORN IN NEBRASKA.

Norfolk, Neb., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—My corn is fine. The stalks are 10 to 15 feet high and big ears that will average 9 to 10 inches long and are filled out good on both ends. The corn will make 65 bushels to the acre. I have had good success and wish you the same.

Yours truly,

ROY ROWLETT.

Prague, Neb., Nov. 8, 1909.

Am perfectly satisfied with the purchase of the seed from you. Will be glad to have your catalogue when it is ready.

Respectfully yours,
F. G. SLOUP.

Waterloo, Neb., Oct. 23, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Will say your seed corn that I bought from you last spring was OK. I got good results from it. Wishing you success, I am

Respectfully,

S. S. LUTTON.

Hoskins, Neb., Nov. 6, 1909.

Kind Sirs:—The "Reid's Yellow Dent" corn I bought from you has been husked and runs seventy-five bushels to the acre, and this is not a good year for corn. The other corn runs twenty-five bushels to the acre.

Yours very truly,

HERMAN DECK.

Bennett, Lancaster Co., Neb. Nov. 4, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn (Boone County) I got of you last spring done very good in the very unfavorable corn year that we had. Thanking you for your honest treatment and wishing you every success, I remain

Yours respectfully,

OSCAR A. HOFFMAN, R.F.D. No. 1.

St. Paul, Neb., Nov. 15, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Your seed corn gave good satisfaction. The yield was about 46 bushels per acre, this being better than the average.

Yours truly,

A. E. HINRICKSEN.

FROM FAR AND NEAR

Stands the Drouth in Okla.

Edmond, Okla., Oct. 4, 1910.

The seed corn did well considering the season which was very dry all summer here. I want you to send me a bushel of the same kind of corn that I got last spring. Send it in the ear. Send price and I will send money.

W. L. SITTINGTON.

Earlsboro, Okla., Oct. 3, 1910.

I must say your corn is just simply fine. It is all you claimed for. It is the best I have ever had. Of course we could not expect the best from it on account of such a dry season. I was late planting so the drouth struck it when in full bloom and that did well.

I mean to recommend your corn to every farmer I come in contact with. I will never do without Sutton's seed corn because it is the corn to raise.

JOHN WINROE.

Jefferson, Okla., Oct. 1, 1910.

The seed corn I bought of you gave entire satisfaction. Owing to the extreme drouth the corn crop was short. The Leaming and Yellow Dent made the best yield of any that I planted. It gave entire satisfaction.

GUY M. NEAL.

Colbert, Okla., Oct. 1, 1910.

Your Boone County White and Sutton's Favorite seed corn did very well under adverse conditions. We had no rain for forty days. It is the best corn in this part of the country.

A. L. CORDELL.

Iona, Okla., Oct. 1, 1910.

Your seed corn pleased me very much. It made 1-4 more than my own seed. I expect to order more seed for 1911.

O. J. ARMS.

Byron, Neb., Oct. 3, 1910.

I am well satisfied with the seed corn. I got four kinds and they all did fine out here. My corn will make from 40 to 60 bushels to the acre.

GEORGE A. POPPE.

Fletcher, Ohio, Oct. 3, 1910.

The seed corn which I purchased of you last spring grew to a grain. Have a fine stand.

ALEXANDER GUMP.

Mount Vista, Md., Oct., 1910.

We commenced husking corn last Monday and find that the corn is very much better than we expected. The Reid's Yellow Dent is making 90 bushels to the acre, 80 lb. to the bushel. It was very dry here at earing time or would have made over 100 bushels to the acre. I planted this corn the last of April and am more than pleased with it. The Leaming is fine, too. I planted it on my other farm over at Phoenix, Md. I drilled the Yellow Dent in rows 3 feet apart, corn 10 inches apart in the row.

WM. CHAMINGS.

Oakfield, N. Y., Oct. 2, 1910.

Owing to the season we have had this spring, the corn is a little late. I planted May 2, and then we had five weeks of cold weather and wet. When the weather cleared the corn was up two inches high. It must have been strong seed for I don't think I lost a kernel. It has made a good growth, stalks 12 feet and ears some of which weighed 1 1-4 and 1 1-2 lbs. I think that will out yield my state corn 2 to 1. I am going to plant it again for I think it is all right. When I need anything in your line, you will hear from me.

FRANK WYANT.

Philadelphia, Penn., Oct. 5, 1910.

The seed corn I bought of you last spring I planted and had a good crop which is now mostly harvested. You may enter my order for the same amount next year.

J. P. WHITNEY.

Hodge, Miss., 1910.

Your seed corn proved very satisfactory.

W. J. PRICHARD.

Lebanon, Tenn., Oct. 27, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The "Reid's Yellow Dent" seed corn I bought of you was all OK. Plenty of ears measured twelve inches long, is very heavy for the season we had in this locality. Hoping you success, I remain, Yours respectfully,

J. R. HOBBS.

Normandy, Tenn., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I have just harvested my corn, the seed of which I bought from you last spring, "Sutton's Favorite." It yielded sixty-five bushels per acre under very unfavorable circumstances.

Very truly,

R. S. BRANDON.

Endora, Kan., Oct. 23, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—Will say that the seed corn I received has proven itself a good yielder, will average 70 bushels per acre. But one thing I have noticed, that the corn is not so rough as the "Boone County White" that I had three years from you. Have you improved that part or not? Everybody in my neighborhood gets seed corn from me next year, so you see that the corn is good.

Yours truly,

H. W. SCHELLACK.

Bethel, Kas., Oct. 29, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I had good results with your seed corn, your Sutton's Favorite won me second prize, which was ten dollars for six ears at the Corn Carnival at Royser Dry Goods Co., being the second best in Wyandotte County. Send me a catalogue.

Respectfully,

J. O. MOONEY.

North Topeka, Kas., Oct. 8, 1910.

I have not yet husked much of my corn but the yield will be good and the quality is fine. Will continue to plant your corn.

E. C. KASSEBAUM.

Centralia, Mo., March 10, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The two crates of corn sent me March 1 received OK. Am well pleased with it. Shelled it yesterday and did not find a bad grain. Don't think I will fool with testing it. It is a pleasure to do business with a firm that sends out exactly what they advertise. Yours truly,

CHAS. E. SELLERS.

Armstrong, Mo., April 24, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn was received yesterday, and I am delighted with its appearance. I shall take orders perhaps to about March 15 when you may expect another order. I hand you check for amount of invoice—\$86. Trusting all will be satisfactory, I am

Yours very respectfully,

A. W. EVANS.



Getting a shipment of Shelled Seed ready.

LETTERS FROM PLEASED CUSTOMERS FROM FAR AND NEAR.

Eighty Bushels in Iowa.

Clarinda, Ia., April 26.

Dear Sir:—The three crates of corn ordered from you are here. Am well pleased with them. Please send me five more crates (5 crates) of the Leaming. Rush order. Find check for ten dollars enclosed.

Yours truly,

F. R. McKEE.

Better Than Native Corn in Nebraska.

Ruskin, Neb., Nov. 9, 1907.

Dear Sir:—The seed corn (Boone and Leaming) which I purchased from you last spring has proven itself all right. A dry spell in August cut the crop rather short but the yield is good. The Leaming corn is of especially good quality. It all held green during dry weather longer than the native corn.

Yours very truly,

T. O. NIEWOLD.

A Customer Well Pleased.

Edina, Mo., Nov. 5, 1907.

My Dear Sir:—In regard to the seed corn received from you I cannot say too much for it. I have got the best corn I have ever raised on my farm. Reid's Yellow is a winner for me; it will make from fifty to sixty-five bushels per acre and of good quality; Boone County White is a fine yielder and an A No. 1 good corn. I certainly recommend you as a full-fledged seed corn man.

Yours truly,

J. J. BYRNE.

Higginsville, Mo., Oct. 22, 1908.

Dear Sir:—In regard to the seed corn I purchased from you last year, I am well pleased with the corn. The corn came up well, taking the extra wet season into consideration. I have a very good crop of corn. I did not get to cultivate my corn more than half on account of the rain. Your corn seems to do well in this local ity.

Yours respectfully,

HENRY SALZER.

Garden City, Mo., Nov. 30, 1907.

Dear Sir:—In reply to your circular will say that the Favorite White seed corn I got of you last spring was good and will make a very good yield, considering the very unfavorable season for tending a corn crop. Will plant Sutton's Favorite White next year.

Respectfully,

E. C. ELSBURY.

Fresham, Neb., Nov. 14, 1906.

Dear Sir:—I have husked very little of the corn (Leaming) from the seed you sent me. I had a very good stand and the yield will be very good. All corn was late maturing here this year, and I can see no difference in the ripening of corn from Illinois and our native kind. The seed you sent me showed good, thoroughbred corn and I am well pleased with same.

Respectfully,

A. CAMPBELL.

P. S.—I will have samples of your corn at the boys' corn contest at Lincoln, Neb., December 11-17, 1906.

A. C.

Kent, Iowa., Feb. 16, 1906.

Dear Sir:—Seed corn received. It is mighty fine corn.

Yours truly,

AL. H. VANDERPLUYM.

Does Well in Ohio.

Sherodsville, O., Nov. 2, 1908.

Dear Sir:—In reply to your letter of October 14 about the seed corn, I can say I am well satisfied with it and would have answered your letter sooner but it has been very dry here since August and we had not husked much when you wrote. According to the soil and season the corn did fine. It was very dry here when corn was earing, which damaged it considerably. The Gold Standard Leaming was planted May 12 in clay loam soil that was well prepared and had good cultivation, and yielded 50 bushels or more of sound corn per acre. Sutton's Favorite White was planted May 25, which was too late for planting any corn here, but the wet weather here last spring made the planting very late, but it grew fine under the conditions and will make about 35 bushels per acre. But I think it is a great corn for our clay soil if it is planted about May 1, as the ears grew as large in poor spots as anywhere in the field but the fodder did not get so large. I would like to know how your White Dent was this year and how you think it would suit here. Will thank you in advance for your corn book.

Yours truly,

E. I. ROBY.

No Barren Stalks.

Circleville, O., Nov. 9, 1907.

Dear Sir:—The seed corn I purchased of you last spring and planted about the middle of May, came up with a splendid stand, almost every grain grew, and I must say nearly every stalk produced an ear of corn. The season was too wet for a big crop and we therefore will get only about sixty-five bushels to the acre. Had the season been favorable, we would have had a great deal more corn. Taking everything into consideration, the corn did splendidly. I am,

Yours very truly,

L. T. SHANER.

Xenia, Ohio, Oct. 19, 1908.

Dear Sir:—I was well pleased with the seed corn that I received from you. I planted the same on up land clay soil the twenty-second day of May and got a good stand. The moles bothered it some and we had it very dry the fore part of June so that it was rather slow about starting, but when it did start out to growing it simply got a hurry on it. Then we had it very dry and hot all through August and September so that it was cut short to quite an extent, but I think it will make better than sixty bushels to the acre. I gave it level cultivation, did not use a double plow at all. I think it would be fine for silage, very heavy bladed, would make lots of feed to the acre. Will save some seed to plant next year and will want some of another variety this coming year.

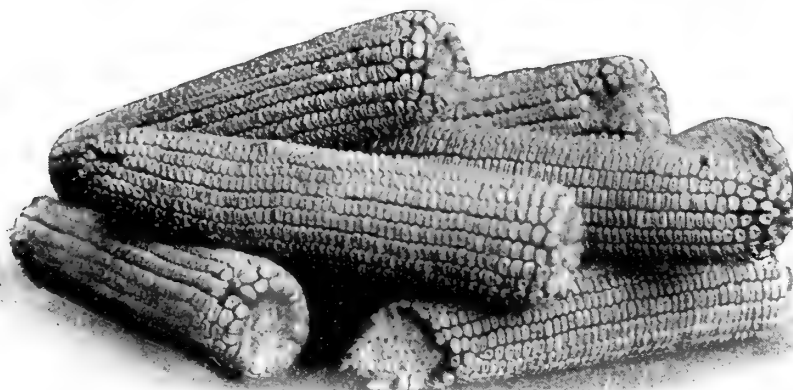
Yours truly,

MR. J. N. LANGHEAD.

New Holland, Ohio, Nov. 12, 1906.

Dear Sir:—I am through husking corn, and the seed corn I purchased of you made the largest yield that has ever been known in this country. Sutton's Favorite made eighty bushels per acre. Boone County White made eighty-five and a half bushels per acre. I also planted the balance of the field to some common yellow corn and it made thirty-three bushels per acre, so you can see the difference. I never will plant anything but your corn hereafter.

CARL C. JANES.



Morning Sun, Ia., Oct. 25, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The fifteen bushels of seed corn I received of you last spring gave good results, a good stand, and the quality all one could expect.

Yours truly,

C. H. MCGINNIS.

Norwalk, Ia., Nov. 8, 1909.

Gentlemen:—Have just finished picking the corn. The seed I got from you grew good and would have made eighty bushels had we have had rain, but did not have any rain from June 25 to September 20, and got forty-five bushels per acre. Am well pleased with corn, may want more next year.

Yours truly,

J. F. FOUST.

Meriden, Ia., June 2, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I received your seed corn some time ago and it was the finest that we ever had in this neighborhood.

Thanking you for your kindness,

Yours truly,

JOHN JACKSON.

Winfield, Ia., Oct. 21, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn I got from you paid me fine. I have the best white corn in the country and "Reid's Yellow Dent" is fine.

Many thanks,

Yours truly,

C. E. FLEAGLE.

Hodge, Miss., Oct. 26, 1909.

Your corn is perfectly satisfactory. I planted it by the side of native corn, gave both the same work and your corn every stock had one or more ears of corn on it; while there was at least 20 per cent of the native corn that had nothing on it. Your corn is one of the best I have ever used and will recommend it to anyone desiring a good producing corn.

Yours most respectfully,

W. J. PRICHARD.

Muncie, Kas., Oct. 29, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—My corn is fine if I could have cultivated it more it would have been better, the seed was all right.

Yours truly,

W. W. WHITE.

Amanda, Ohio, Oct. 26, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—The seed corn I got from you gave me good results and am pleased with same.

Respectfully, ISAAC RIEGEL, R.F.D. 1.

Chillicothe, Ohio, Oct. 28, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The "Reid's Yellow Dent" seed I purchased from you this year yielded 55 bushels per acre, and am pretty well satisfied the second year for the seed in the soil will give greater returns with an average season for moisture, etc. We are well satisfied with your seed.

Respectfully yours, W. A. WALLACE.

Conway, Van Wert Co., Ohio, Oct. 23, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—"Sutton's Favorite Corn" I got from you last March has given me a good yield for the chance it had this year.

Respectfully yours,

JAMES MOLLENKOPF, R.R. No. 1.

Washington C. H., Ohio, Oct. 28, 1909.

Gentlemen:—The seed corn I received from you last spring came up all right and made a fairly good crop. It being an awful wet season the land that did not overflow was good. About the best in the neighborhood. Yours respectfully,

ANCIL SMITH.

Bethal, Kas., Oct. 29, 1909.

Gentlemen:—I had good results with your seed corn, your "Sutton's Favorite" won me second prize, which was ten dollars for six ears, at the corn carnival at Poyser Dry Goods Co., being the second best in Wyandotte Co.

Respectfully,

J. O. MOONEY.

Williamsport, Ohio, March 18, 1909.

Dear Sir:—I just received your 16 bu. of seed corn and am much pleased with it. It is good looking corn and looks like true to type, and would like to know if you tested it. Looks like grains had been taken from each ear. As I test all my seed so if you have tested it it will save me the work.

Yours truly,

J. B. KENDRICK.

Gates, Tenn., Oct. 26, 1909.

Dear Sirs:—In reply to your letter would say your corn gave good satisfaction owing to conditions prevailing and would like to receive one of your catalogues for the next season.

Yours truly,

J. B. PARKER, JR.

COMPLIMENTARY EXPRESSIONS HARVESTED FROM LETTERS FROM NEAR AND FAR.

Had a splendid stand. Forty-eight out of fifty grew.

S. L. VAN HART, Carmel, Ind.

I certainly can recommend your corn to any one.

VIRGIL R. CULP, Wakarusa, Ind.

I was pleased with seed corn received from you.

C. M. HARNESS, Galveston, Ind.

Your Sutton Favorite White Corn yielded fine.

J. E. HICKS, Willow Grove, Ark.

The seed corn I ordered from you last spring did well.

C. W. BAKER, Lasoya, Tex.

I received the corn last spring and was well pleased with it.

W. A. SCOGGIN, Tioga, Tex.

My corn did fine. Ears measured 18 1-2 in. long.

WADE EVERHEART, Bells, Tex.

My forty acres of Reid's averaged 63 bushels.

LESLIE D. CALHOUN, Farmer City, Ill.

I never had corn come better.

R. R. WAUGH, Peoria, Ill.

The Golden Leaming purchased from you was very good, yielding about 70 bushels.

BEN SCHERTZ, Roanoke, Ill.

The seed purchased from you was simply fine.

ISAAC HOGE, Morris, Ill.

The seed corn I bought of you has done remarkably well.

JOHN C. BERKY, Hopedale, Ill.

We are well pleased with all the seed corn we have bought of you.

CHARLES P. KLITZ, New Canton, Ill.

I am well pleased with results.

CHARLES E. HARRIS, Urbana, Ill.

The seed corn did well.

L. H. LANGHERY, Midland City, Ill.

The corn I received from you was very fine. Will make sixty to ninety bushels to the acre.

AUGUST KAVELMAN, Burtonview, Ill.

I am perfectly satisfied all around.

HERMAN MEYER, Gilman, Ill.

I am pleased with my crop, and will gladly recommend your seed to any man.

A. H. THAYER, Rantoul, Ill.

Seed corn from you last spring did well.

ARTHUR EVANS, Saybrook, Ill.

In regard to the seed corn will say I like it fine.

J. A. WARRICK, Lincoln, Ill.

I am perfectly satisfied with the seed corn I bought of you last year.

I. L. WEIRICK, Cowden, Ill.

I am well pleased with your seed and desire to purchase more.

FRED WOODYARD, Ridge Farm, Ill.

The seed corn I bought of you was good.

JERRY MOWREY, Bushnell, Ill.

The seed was OK.

EVANS ELEVATOR CO., Beason, Ill.

I will want some more corn next spring.

A. L. JURY, Minonk, Ill.

The corn bought of you last spring was good.

E. W. TILSON, Croft, Ill.

I think your seed first class.

J. E. MELVIN, Bushnell, Ill.

I want to recommend Sutton's Favorite to all farmers who desire the very best corn.

W. H. PROCTOR, Mason City, Ill.

I selected ten ears and sent to the Illinois Corn Exposition. It took first premium in Class A.

W. M. HOWELL, DeSoto, Ill.

I never had a better stand of corn.

W. F. WRIGHT, Moweaqua, Ill.

I never had a better stand of corn than I got from your seed.

J. O. BARNES, Deland, Ill.

Your seed corn was A-1.

OWEN BEELER, Lincoln, Ill.

Your corn was all right.

JOHN H. HANSON, Tuscola, Ill.

Your seed corn was even better than I expected.

W. K. FISHER, Beason, Ill.

The seed was all right.

D. W. FARRELL, Gays, Ill.

I estimate the yield of this corn at eighty bushels per acre.

F. C. BEDWELL, Table Grove, Ill.

We have examined the corn and like it fine.

E. H. HUPERS, Virginia, Ill.

After two years' trial of your seed corn, I can assure you that the quality is A-1.

C. F. TOBEY, Blue Mound, Ill.

I was well pleased with the seed received from you.

E. C. ZOOK, Fairbury, Ill.

The yellow corn I received from you turned out better than I expected.

WILLIAM SHAW, Lincoln, Ill.

The seed was good and it all grew.

SETH I. MORRIS, Cabery, Ill.

The seed corn has given me good results in spite of the bad season.

ALBERT HELMICK, Biggsville, Ill.

I am well pleased with Reid's Yellow Dent purchased from you last spring.

C. E. PARKER, Princeton, Ill.

The corn we have raised from your Reid's Yellow Dent seed has been entirely satisfactory.

J. C. DOYLE, Farmer City, Ill.

I am well pleased with the results of the seed corn purchased from you.

W. H. GULLETT, Gibson City, Ill.

The seed purchased from you last spring has given us some mighty good corn.

THOMAS E. WYLDER, Harnsby, Ill.

We are perfectly satisfied with the Leaming seed corn bought of you.

C. C. SPRINGER, Minier, Ill.

The seed corn purchased from you last spring was OK.

A. M. SHELTON, Cameron, Ill.

We are well pleased with the results we have gotten from the seed corn purchased from you.

JOHN SCHROTBERGER & SONS,
Gardner, Ill.

I am more than pleased with the Reid's Yellow Dent corn.

J. H. STUEPFERT, Princeton, Ill.

Your corn is all right.

G. W. WELCH, Vermont, Ill.

I found your Boone County far superior to what I received from elsewhere.

IRA T. BAIRD, Moweaqua, Ill.

Your corn gave me excellent satisfaction.

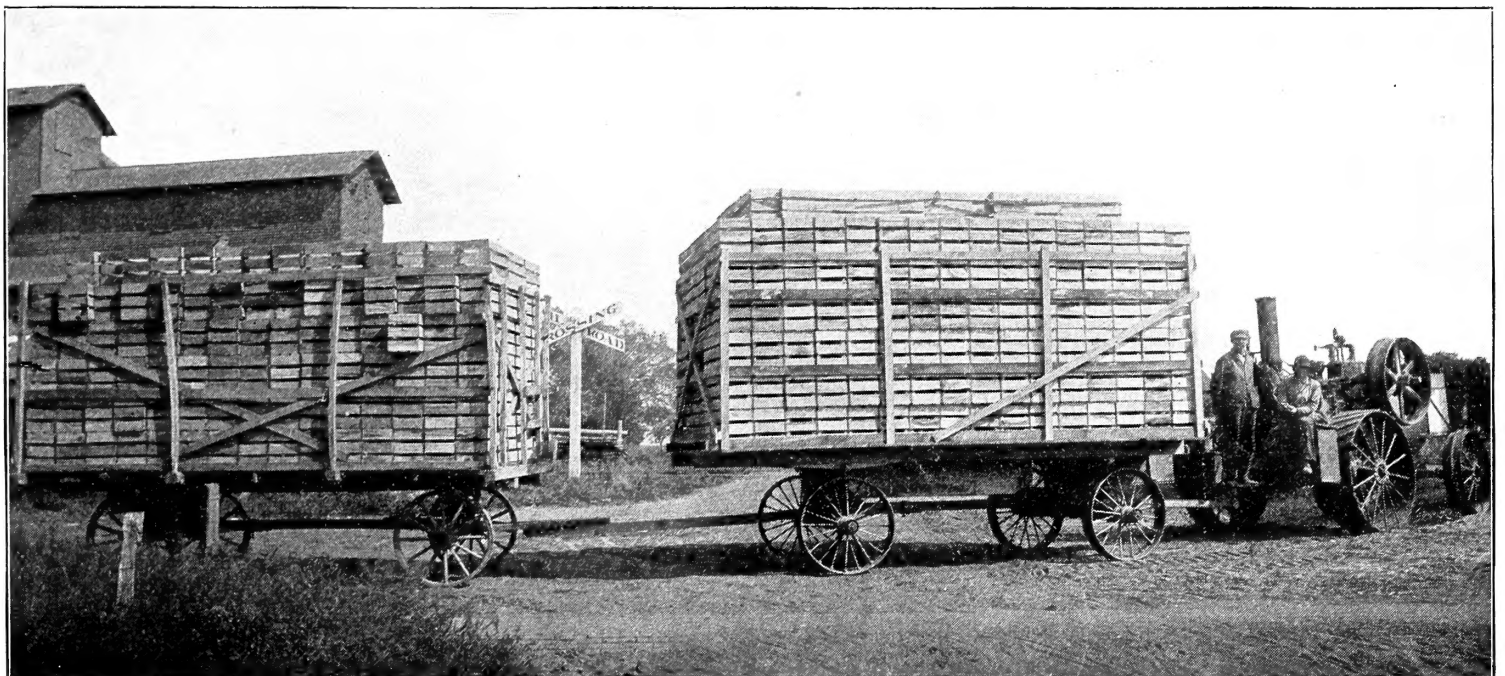
J. P. KERR, Versailles, Ill.

The seed I got from you is all right.

J. C. KENNEDY, Dana, Ill.

I found your seed corn as all that you claimed for it.

JOHN P. FORD, Rutland, Ill.



Hauling crates from Factory to Seed Houses.

The seed corn I purchased from you last spring has given perfect satisfaction.

DR. A. M. LINDLEY, Urbana, Ill.

We are satisfied that we owe much to the seed.

WRIGHT BROS., Bloomington, Ill.

I, for one, believe that Sutton's Favorite is OK.

J. C. WIGGINGTON, Lincoln, Ill.

Seed corn that I bought from you last spring brought a good crop.

GEORGE R. RAKER, Raker, Ill.

We are glad to report most satisfactory results.

BEAUFORT FARMS, Harrisburg, Pa.

The corn purchased from you was satisfactory.

C. B. TRUESDELL, Plymouth, Mich.

The seed was all right.

JAMES FINLAY, Lenaxa, Kas.

I am well pleased with the corn I got from you last spring.

ED. MEADOWS, Eakly, Okla.

The corn I received from you did well.

J. W. HOFFMAN, Avery, Okla.

I am entirely satisfied with the corn purchased from you, especially the Leaming.

W. S. IVEY, Petersburg, Va.

Your seed is very satisfactory.

SAMUEL R. PARKER, Ashland, Va.

I am very much pleased with the seed corn purchased from you last spring.

FRED MURPHY, Malcomb, Ia.

Please send me five more crates of Leaming.

F. R. McKEE, Clarinda, Iowa.

Seed corn received. It is mighty fine corn.

A. H. VANDERPLUYM, Kent, Ia.

I like your Reid's Yellow Dent better than any other kind I have.

AL BASSETT, E. Elkhart, Ia.

I have nothing but praise for your seed corn.

F. H. TRULLINGER, Coon Rapids, Ia.

The seed corn I bought of you did fine.

A. E. PITTS, Trimble, Tenn.

Your corn will make a success anywhere in this section.

H. B. GAMMON, Como, Miss.

We find your seed corn all you claim for it.

SPEAKER & GRESHAM, Beloit, Miss.

The seed corn purchased from you gave entire satisfaction.

J. H. MANCHESTER, Lake View, Ohio.

I can say I am well satisfied with your seed corn.

E. I. ROBEY, Sherrodsville, Ohio.

Seed corn I purchased from you made the largest yield that has ever been known in this country.

CARL C. JAMES, New Holland, O.

I was well pleased with the seed corn I received from you.

J. L. LANGHEAD, Xenia, Ohio.

I cannot say too much for your seed corn.

J. J. BYRNE, Edina, Mo.

The \$10 that I spent for seed corn from you was the best investment that I ever made.

E. K. SMITH, Wyatt, Mo.

I raised fine corn from your Boone County White.

HERMAN L. SCHWARZE, Warrentown, Mo.

The corn I bought of you last spring was as you represented.

BEN F. JOHNSON, Kane Hill, Mo.

Will plant Sutton's Favorite White next year.

E. C. ELSBURY, Garden City, Mo.

I am well pleased with the results.

JOHN S. SCHWEFER, Ste. Genevieve, Mo.

I am well pleased with the corn as it is all if not more than was claimed for it.

R. M. SNODDY, Armstrong, Mo.

Your corn seems to do well in this locality.

HENRY SALZER, Higginsville, Mo.

I had the finest field of corn from your seed that I ever raised.

CLYDE FOX, Columbia City, Ind.

The corn I got of you did exceptionally well—better than I expected.

D. F. CONWELL, Galveston, Ind.

The seed corn I got from you last spring did very well.

GEORGE KNOWLES, Cynthiana, Ind.

Let me assure you that I am more than pleased with the results from the Gold Standard Leaming.

J. H. HARPER, Rushville, Ind.

I had a perfect stand of corn from the seed purchased from you.

ROBERT McGIBBON, Swayzee, Ind.

I was very well pleased with your corn.

JOEL M. COX, Elwood, Ind.

OUR GUARANTEE

We guarantee our corn to be pure bred, perfectly matured, and of highest germinating powers, and we guarantee it to go out in first-class condition, as we carefully examine each ear. If any seed is received from us which is not satisfactory in every respect, it may be returned at our expense and money will be refunded. All corn may be kept ten days and tested in any manner and if for any reason it is not satisfactory it may be returned and money refunded; under no circumstances will we return any money or receive corn back that has been kept longer than ten days. We can't and won't be responsible for corn in a thousand different hands for longer than ten days. If it is good then it is up to the customer to keep it good. We will not be responsible for a crop either. There are many reasons for crop failure. We guarantee the seed to be good; that is all we can do. We do not guarantee any corn to mature at a certain time, as the season changes the time of maturing to such a great extent. We give you our best judgment as to time of maturing, also letters from our customers.

PLEASE FOLLOW THESE INSTRUCTIONS WHEN ORDERING

Fill out the order blank very carefully, enclosing check, postoffice order, express money order, or draft on New York, Chicago or St. Louis. Stamps acceptable on orders for less than \$1.00.

Write your name and address plainly. Often times we receive orders on which the address is so poorly written that we cannot fill the order. Sometimes the writer forgets to put in his postoffice, and we have to hold the shipment until he writes again, with considerable feeling, because we haven't acknowledged his order. This can all be avoided by writing your name and address plainly.

Our terms are cash with order. We cannot open accounts as our orders are very great during corn season, and we are very busy filling cash orders. If the corn is not satisfactory, we will return your money. If your freight station is a prepay station you must include freight with your order.

We Pay Your Railroad Fare and Other Expenses If You Visit Us.

We will pay railroad fare and all other expenses to anyone not farther away than fifty miles who comes to us and purchases fifty bushels of seed corn, either ear or shelled, or we will pay all his expenses if he comes and doesn't buy and finds that we have misrepresented our corn or method of keeping it. Several neighbors can club together and send some responsible man who can personally see just what we have and how we keep it. If you live farther from us than fifty miles, we will pay that part of expenses on same conditions as above.

Where Our Orders Come From.

Our friends and customers are not confined to any one state, nation or hemisphere. We receive orders from Illinois, Iowa, Missouri, Indiana, Ohio, Kentucky, Oklahoma, Texas, Kansas, Nebraska, West Virginia, Virginia, Pennsylvania, New York, Connecticut, Massachusetts, Mississippi, Alabama, Georgia, North Carolina, South Carolina, Wisconsin, Michigan, Arkansas, Louisiana, Tennessee, Argentine Republic, S. A., Mexico, Canada, New Zealand, South Africa, Australia, Cuba, Egypt.



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